



# THE COLONNADE

Friday, February 29, 2007 - www.gcsunade.com - Volume 84, No. 20

## INSIDE

### NEWS

#### Czech it out!

The Coverdell Institute Symposium discusses and compares the national elections in the U.S. with those held in the Czech Republic.  
**Page 5**

### FEATURES



#### More than just a Genre...

A panel discusses Hip-Hop as a growing and important culture.  
**Page 9**

#### Africa Now

African Ambassador Amina S. Ali comes to GCSU to raise awareness about the genocide and poverty that infects Africa.  
**Page 9**

### SPORTS

#### Getting to know the stars.

The top men's basketball players answer questions about their game.  
**Page 14**



#### Love All

Both men's and women's tennis teams continue to dominate over their opponents.  
**Page 12**

### WEEKEND WEATHER

Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
63 43 20%	70 38 10%	70 43 20%

Source: <http://weather.com>

## NUMBER CRUNCH

80  
Million

Amount of revenue expected to be made in 2007 from the morning after pill "Plan B."

Source: [www.msnbc.msn.com/4/](http://www.msnbc.msn.com/4/)

*"All the big schools like Tech and UGA have (Fall Break), so it's important that we have one too."*

- Sherri Bryant, sophomore

## October 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Colonnade	3
4 Church	5	6 Stat Test	7	8 Speech	9 Fall Break !!!	10
11 Fall Break !!!	12	13	14 John's Birthday	15	16 UGA Football!!!	17
18 Church	19	20	21 Paper Due	22	23 Going Home	24
25	26 Homework	27	28	29 Capital!	30 Halloween Parties	31

GRAPHIC BY WES BROWN / SENIOR REPORTER

Above is the portrayal of a student planner at GCSU. SGA has proposed a calendar for final approval to the Academic Policy Committee that fall break be held Oct. 12 through 13 in 2009. The break has already been approved through the Academic Calendar sub-committee, which is the harder committee to pass.

## Fall Break approved

BY COURTNEY MCMAHON  
STAFF WRITER

SGA has been hard at work in planning a Fall Break for GCSU students that will hopefully be offered in 2009. The break is not yet official; however, they are on the right track in getting it approved.

"This process is much more difficult than one may realize," said Ryan Greene, president of SGA. "There are so many restrictions on when we can have the break which makes it

very difficult to plan the dates."

If approved, Fall Break will be offered in October of 2009. It is currently being discussed by the Academic Policy Committee and hopes to be fully approved by next Friday.

Fitting in the proper dates for Fall Break was a big challenge for SGA. The Board of Regents is very strict in their policy leaving very little room for flexibility. This was the main reason why a fall break has never been offered before.

"Finding room in the academic calendar was probably the hardest part," said Greene. "We started this process about four months ago and that is why we have been so successful. We had to play with the dates a lot."

Fall Break will only consist of a few days, but students are happy with anything they can get.

SGA had to work with Bruce Harshbarger, the dean of

**Fall Break Page 3**

## Students' eyes turn to lunar eclipse last week

BY ALANA LLEWELLYN  
STAFF WRITER

Up until last Monday evening I and most likely the majority of GCSU students and faculty, were oblivious to the fact that there was supposed to be a total lunar eclipse later that week on Wednesday night. Now, being the ecliptophile that I am, I was eager to let every one of my friends know about this exciting event. Well not really, but I was excited nevertheless. As I anticipated the eclipse I spoke with a few Astronomy professors about what to expect and what

the difference was between a total lunar eclipse and any other eclipse.

Professor Donovan Domingue explained to me that "This eclipse will display the moon moving through the umbra portion of the Earth's shadow. This is a total lunar eclipse and can only occur during a full moon. This does not occur during every full moon though, because of the specific tilt of the moon's orbit."

With that information, I felt like I was set to observe this phenomenal show take

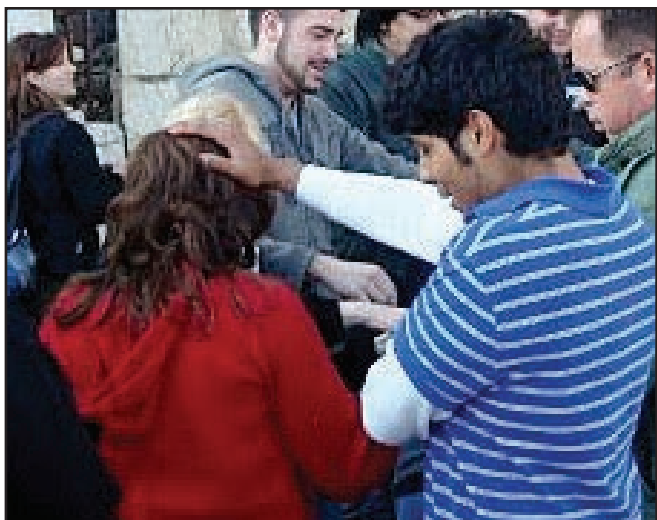
**Eclipse Page 3**



JEN FORDHAM / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Students on front campus observed the lunar eclipse last Tuesday night. The students camping out were part of the environmental science club, which was hosting a weekend-long campout to promote low-energy living.

## Journey to the Holy Land...



SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

Victor Ansley, one of the Wesley interns that ventured to Israel, prays for a Israeli woman. See the full story on **page 2**, entitled "Wesley interns answer God's call in Israel."

## Sodexho addresses the national meat recall

BY CHRISTINE GEIGER  
STAFF WRITER

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) recalled 143 million pounds of beef from Hallmark/Westland Meat Packing Co., a California based company that is under investigation for mistreating cattle.

The meat in question came from already sickly cattle that were abused by kicking, shocking and

pushing the animals with forklifts.

The Hallmark/Westland Meat packing Co. distributes its meat to federal programs such as the National School Lunch Program and the Emergency Food Assistance Program, according to the USDA.

The National School Lunch program helps public or non-profit private schools provide free or inexpensive meals that

meet nutritional requirements to children. Any school district that participates in this program receives cash subsidies and donated commodities from the USDA.

Sodexo, Inc., the company that runs GCSU's dining hall, is a participant in the National School Lunch Program.

The company responded to the problem with a

**Recall Page 3**

## Morning after pill at GCSU

BY PJ SCHINELLA  
STAFF REPORTER

For the past four years, GCSU students getting caught up in the heat of the moment and failing to use birth control or condoms now have the option of receiving more extreme contraceptives the next day.

According to Food and Drug Administration documents, emergency contraceptive pills attempt to prevent pregnancy after vaginal intercourse took place mid-cycle, appropriate contraceptives were not used and the possibility of pregnancy is high.

"The medication consists of eight high dose birth control tablets. The female must take four at the time of the examination and then four more 12 hours later," said Angie Mason, women's health nurse practitioner. "It prevents the sperm and egg from fertilization."

A similar medication, Plan B, was authorized to be sold without a prescription by the FDA to men and women over the age of 18 in August of 2006.

Before student health services began offering the pills, the staff of student health services was forced to send people to the Baldwin County Health Department. The health department provides the pills to the university.

"We were sending a lot of girls to the health department and for that reason we worked out a contract with them to be able to administer the medication over here," Mason said.

Student health services distributes the medication about four or five times a week.

"I wish our school didn't have to distribute this medication. I wish that our student body would make more mature decisions," said Kyle Hood, public administration graduate student.

Even though the medication may erase the mistake of a promiscuous night, it is only intended for occasional use and has its draw backs.

"There are lots of high risks associated with using the pills, but usually young females don't experience the major symp-

**Pill Page 3**



# Wesley interns answer God's call in Israel



**Left:** (From left to right) Micah Usry, Victor Ansley, Holly Shell, Kyle Borgognoni and John Minix stand in front of the Temple Mount Dome Mosque in Jerusalem. This is the central point for a majority of the religious debate of the holy grounds. The Islamic nation believes that this is where God sacrificed Ishmael. Yet, the Christian and Jewish nations believe this is where God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son, Isaac.

**Right:** Micah Usry and Victor Ansley pray intensively for the needs of Israel while ministering in the Palestinian refugee camps.

SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE



BY CHELSEA THOMAS  
STAFF REPORTER

Five Wesley Student Ministry interns returned from a ten day trip to Israel on Saturday, Feb. 23. The group ventured to Israel in response to a call God put on their hearts. Although they spent time exploring historical sites the first three days, the last seven days they visited the Palestinian refugee camps in the city of Bethlehem.

Victor Ansley, Kyle Borgognoni, John Minix, Holly Shell and Micah Usry traveled with two ministry groups on their trip. The first group is called Sons of Thunder. It is based out of Fairburn, Ga., and led by traveling Minister John Crowder. The other ministry is Global Celebration, which was founded by Georgian and Winnie Banov in Hattisburg, Pa. The interns first heard about the trip when personally invited by John Crowder.

"The main reason I went to Israel was to share the love of Christ with the widows and orphans in the Palestinian refugee

camps, and to minister to the Palestinian Christians and Jewish Christians," says Holly Shell, who has been actively involved in the ministries on campus.

While in Bethlehem, the group joined with the two ministries and led poor feedings to two of the largest camps in the entire nation of Israel, Deheisha and Aida. They led parties for hundreds of the children living in the camps. On one of their days, the interns focused on specifically visiting and blessing widows and orphans.

"These camps are the worst of the worst. These are where the terrorists actually come from. The camps were filled with terrorist propaganda, and we were escorted through them by a PLO (Palestine Liberation Organization) officer who sides with terrorist activity," Ansley said.

A very high privilege, it was surprising enough that the interns were even allowed into the camps. Under security, the Georgian Banov's ministry has been the only visitors allowed into the camps to minister. The last ministry allowed in had

been 60 years prior. Some of the Palestinian people put in these refugee camps have been held inside since 1948. The Israeli army claims that the Palestinians will pose a threat to the nation of Israel if they leave.

Ansley describes the trip as, "A historic and sovereign move of God to begin a revival among Muslims in the Middle East."

Handing out bags of food and essentials their team fed hundreds of children. Over the course of their stay they spent time ministering and loving over 1,000 orphans.

"You should've seen the smiles on their faces," exclaims Shell.

While in Bethlehem, the five interns were also involved in a ministry named "The Father's House." The Father's House is speaking to the mayor about starting a school for the children in Deheisha. They are preparing to start it this summer. Holly Shell is planning on returning to Israel again.

"It affected my life in ways I never

expected, so much so, that I will be returning in the near future to stay for an extended period of time ... I am really excited about what God has done and is doing," says Shell.

Kyle Borgognoni, a student that went on the trip, explains one of his favorite experiences.

"Seeing 15 (to) 20 Palestinians give there life to Jesus was so rewarding," Borgognoni said. "I expected the lord to break in and release joy to these refugees and the widows and orphans. Basically the stuff we did in Israel was an overflow of the stuff we have been experiencing here in Milledgeville. Jesus is just so beautiful and people are longing inside to experience God."

According to the interns, the trip changed their lives. They exclaim healings, signs and wonders were made as the gospel of Jesus was preached. The trip allowed for many Palestinian people to get supplies and to hear preaching.

## THE College STATION APARTMENTS

ONLY A 3 MINUTE WALK TO CAMPUS AND DOWNTOWN!

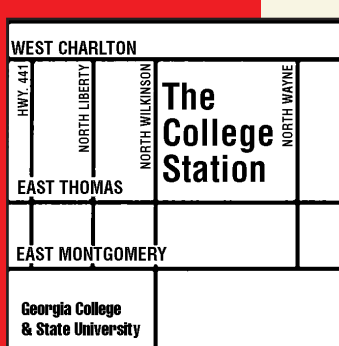
### Amenities

- Great pools and sundeck
- Washer/Dryer in all units
- Ceiling fans
- Laminate wood flooring
- Total electric-energy efficient
- Pest control/garbage included
- \*Utilities Included\*

"Compare our prices, quality and location to anyone in town...you'll see why students want to live at College Station."

**\$100 OFF FIRST MONTHS RENT!**

**PRE-LEASING for 2008!**



### New All Inclusive Prices for Jan. 2008- July 2008

<b>Phase I:</b>	2BR/2BA	\$425
	3BR/2BA	\$375
	4BR/2BA	\$340
<b>Phase II:</b>	3BR/3BA TH	\$425
	3BR/3BA Flat	\$425
<b>Phase III:</b>	4BR/4BA TH	\$425
<b>Phase IV:</b>	4BR/4BA TH	\$425

\*Per Bedroom\*

(478) 453-2525  
501 N. Wilkinson St.

**LOCATION  
LOCATION  
LOCATION**





ERIN GISH / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

Sodexo is involved in the National School Lunch Program, a company involved in the meat recall, and said in a press release that it is possible some meat from Westland / Hallmark may be in their system.

## Recall

Continued from Page 1 ...

press release on its website.

"Westland/Hallmark is not an approved supplier for Sodexo. However, due to the National School Lunch Program, it is possible that some meat from Westland/Hallmark may be in our system."

Sodexo also commented in the press release that an administrative voluntary nationwide hold on all products from Westland/Hallmark has been issued.

Brandon Woodie, executive chef at the Sodexo of GCSU, assures that precautions are being taken so that none of the beef reaches GCSU's campus.

"Our main meat purveyor, Cisco foods, we work with them, and they have actual lot numbers," Woodie said. "And those numbers tell you exactly where (the meat) came from."

Woodie further stated that the meat is checked by Cisco Foods before being shipped to Sodexo, and therefore Sodexo chefs can safely assume that the meat will have no health risks.

Johnnie Norton, junior political science major, visits Sodexo regularly and is sure that employees are capable of making sure none of the Hallmark/Westland beef makes it to his plate.

"It's likely Sodexo would cooperate in the recall if they received any contaminated meat," Norton said. "I've rarely seen undercooked meat at the dining hall, which tells me the dining hall cooks are well-trained in ensuring the health and safety of their customers."

## Pill

Continued from Page 1 ...

toms," Mason said.

Users of the medication may experience severe abdominal pain, nausea, chest pain, headaches and pain in the legs.

Mason advises that this medication is not to serve as the primary means of birth control, and that the emergency contraceptive pills should only be used for one time emergency protection.

"When females come in wanting to use the medication we educate them on proper birth control methods," said Mason, "we usually don't repeat treatment."

"You shouldn't be stupid and abuse it but mistakes do happen. It is a good safety net," said Ann Harlen, freshman pre-mass communication major.

Emergency contraceptive pills are not the only contraceptive that student

## Common side effects of pill

### Irregular bleeding

Women may experience a change in their next period. If your period has not occurred by 21 days after treatment, you should check this out with a pregnancy test.

### Ectopic pregnancy

If the morning-after pill fails to prevent pregnancy, there is an increased chance it is a tubal pregnancy.

### Nausea

Half of women using this method will experience nausea and some will have vomiting. Take the morning-after pill with food to minimize this side effect.

### Other

Common side effects include breast tenderness, fatigue, headache, abdominal pain and dizziness.

Source: [www.nyabortion.com](http://www.nyabortion.com)

health services offers. Free condoms and sexual literature may be picked up from student health services in Beeson Hall during normal hours. Women's health exams are also offered on Tuesdays, after these initial exams, student health services can start females on birth control.

Laurene Green, sophomore nursing major, commented, "Either don't have sex, or be smart about it. If you are old enough to have unsafe sex then you should be old enough to have the responsibility to do the right thing."

## Fall Break

Continued from Page 1 ...

students, the registrar's office and housing to get the break approved. Their cooperation was needed in getting the break approved. Greene knew how difficult the planning was going to be, but thought it would be a positive change for GCSU.

"Everyone is really excited that SGA has taken the initiative to plan this," said Sherri Bryant, sophomore at GCSU. "All the big schools like Tech and UGA have one, so it's

important that we have one too."

Offering a Fall Break has always been something that SGA discussed, but it was never enforced. The planning was always started too late which left no dates available. Greene got to work early and his hard work is going to benefit GCSU.

"This is also something I can sell to potential students who go on tours," said Anette Torres, GCSU student ambassador.

Torres claims that she has many parents and potential students ask why GCSU does not offer a Fall Break. She was very

surprised in the importance that the students put on a Fall Break.

"I never really knew why we did not offer one," said Torres. "I just assumed we were not allowed, but hopefully now I will be able to tell them that we will now be offering one."

The Student Ambassadors are hoping that this attracts more applicants. A Fall Break will add to the list of the terrific things that GCSU offers.

"We want GCSU to continue to grow so any new positive changes will help," said Torres.

## Eclipse

Continued from Page 1 ...

place.

Wednesday night a group of us went out to a friends dock on Lake Sinclair to watch the first astronomical show of the year. My eyes were aimed at the sky and they were definitely in for a treat. It was pretty cold that night but we were determined to view the spectacle.

The eclipse began exactly at 8:43 p.m., but the colorful brilliance didn't occur until half way through the eclipse at about 10:01 p.m. The moon went through dramatically different colors from deep red, to harvest orange and then to dark brown until around 10:51 p.m.

As my friends and I gazed up toward the stars, we sat in silence and just took in the beauty of the universe. Honestly, how often is it that we are able to witness phenomenal things like that, or how awesome is it to see the actual shape of the Earth reflected off of the moon? We weren't the only people watching it, I'm sure of it. Over half the world was able to witness this eclipse. Students in South America and most of North America as well as Western Europe, Africa and Western Asia



SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

The lunar eclipse on Tuesday, started at 8:43 p.m. and lasted until around 10:51 p.m. The next eclipse is scheduled by NASA to appear in December 2010.

played witness along with us to one of the universe's most extraordinary events that only happen twice a year at most.

As the eclipse color changing came to an end, we all piled in the car and headed back into town. I couldn't help but continue to watch as the moon slowly glided away from Earth's shadow. I dropped everyone one off at their perspective houses and headed back to my apartment.

When I walked towards my building, I noticed a girl sitting in a chair wrapped up in a blanket with her eyes gazing to the sky. I kind of smiled to myself and decided to ask her what she was

doing outside in the cold. Sophomore Heather Wilson explained to me, "My astronomy teacher told us at the beginning of the semester that a total lunar eclipse would happen, and I wanted to make sure I didn't miss it."

It was refreshing to see that others could be torn away from their usual Wednesday night entertainment to witness this spectacular event.

If you weren't able to watch the event last week, you are out of luck because the next visible total eclipse of the moon in North America won't be until December 2010 according to NASA.

## Attention: Freshmen and Seniors

### \$Win Bucks for the Beach\$

2 lucky students who respond to the **National Survey of Student Engagement** email survey by March 14th will win a **\$50 cash prize.**

Look for the email with the subject  
Line of:

**"A reminder to tell us about your GCSU experience"**

Follow the instructions in the email to login to the secure website and complete the survey. Winners will be announced on March 19th.

## Attention Bobcats . . . access your MidSouth account online and on campus!

- **FREE** Internet Banking & Bill Pay
- **24-hour** ATM access located in the Maxwell Student Union Bookstore

**MidSouth**  
FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Call, Click or Come by TODAY!  
[www.midsouthfcu.org](http://www.midsouthfcu.org)  
1-800-736-8407

GCSU Office  
Maxwell Student Union Bookstore  
(478) 414 - 4225  
ATM on Campus!  
M-F 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Milledgeville Office  
375 Hammock Road, N.W.  
(478) 452 - 0430  
Open Saturdays!  
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

This Credit Union is federally insured by the  
National Credit Union Administration.



## Students learn to juggle credit and test scores

By TIFFANY BISHOP  
STAFF WRITER

The Career Center held a workshop titled "From Test Scores to Credit Scores" Feb. 20 as part of the GCSU spring Career Expo.

Kisstina Webb, a certified consumer credit counselor, came from Consumer Credit Counseling Service in Macon to speak on everything from different types of loans to what is found on a credit report.

"Recently we found that college students are increasingly in debt, normally with \$20,000," Webb said. "A lot of students have not only student loans but credit cards with them too."

Not paying credit card bills and loans on time cause consequences that many people do not realize until it is too late. Bad credit scores could cause car insurance rates, apartment rent, house rent and credit card interest rates to increase.

The universal default rate clause in many contracts states that a late payment on one thing, means that all other people you have credit with can increase interest rates or lower limits.

Bad credit can also hurt when it comes to obtaining a job. Employers see people with better credit scores as more dependable and reliable, Webb said.

Leigh Griffith, senior liberal arts major, agrees with Webb.

"So many students get loans for college. So we need to be aware of interest rates, and how soon we have to pay back the loan," Griffith said.

According to a pamphlet, "Credit Management" sponsored by Consumer Credit Counseling Service, credit has advantages and disadvantages. Some advantages include improved way of living, being able to take advantage of sales, able to purchase large items and establishing credit.

Some disadvantages are that future earnings are already spent, provides a false sense of security, credit cards may be lost or stolen and the temptation to overspend.

"It's a double-edged sword," Webb said. "You just have to be careful and use it wisely."

Webb suggests putting at least 20 percent down on anything bought on credit. She also stressed not going anywhere



BOBBY GENTRY / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER  
Kisstina Webb talked to students about improving their credit scores and general money management tips last Wednesday in the museum education room.

with "Title" or "Finance" in the name. "Title" places have an interest rate of no less than 112 percent and "Finance" places have no less than 80 percent.

There is much more to be aware of when considering credit. Everyone is entitled to two free credit reports from all three credit bureaus, but obtaining actual credit scores cost money. Most utilities do not report to credit bureaus. Too many open credit cards can be harmful when purchasing a house; mortgage companies do not want people to be able to get into more debt when paying off their loan. It negatively affects credit scores the more you apply to credit cards.

The most important thing to remember is just how important credit scores are when it comes to life.

"A lot of times you don't understand how important your credit is until you mess yours up," Webb said.

To help better understand how long it takes to pay off credit cards or loans, and how much is actually spent, visit [www.yourmoneycounts.com](http://www.yourmoneycounts.com) and click on tools and calculators.

## GCSU honors faculty for 10-30 years of service

By ABBEY FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

On Thursday Feb. 21, 2008 GCSU faculty and staff gathered with family and friends at the 2007 Service Recognition and 2008 Retirement Ceremony. Friends and family of faculty members came from all over to celebrate with their loved ones for these great accomplishments. Many faculty and staff members were recognized for their many years of astounding service to our university, and thankfully only a few others had to say a final goodbye to GCSU.

President Dorothy Leland opened the ceremony with her appreciation for all of the faculty and staff and her hopes that friends and family throughout the ceremony would recognize this appreciation. All the honorees in Arts & Sciences that day seemed to understand that all of their hard work had not gone unseen. With smiles upon their faces and sparkles in their eyes, honorees sat down with loved ones reflecting on the many years spent at GCSU.

One retiree, Donna Gautier, shared her experience. Gautier is a two-time graduate of GCSU. She majored in elementary education for her undergraduate and later received her master's in education. She started off teaching at a public school in Baldwin County and stayed there for seven years. Gautier started working on the library staff twenty-two years ago and has not left. She has been recognized numerous times for her impressive work ethic and widely known as the brains behind the library. Sadly Gautier has decided it is time to catch up on other things. After retiring she hopes to take up sewing and spend more time at her church. She also has a one-year-old grandchild who she hopes to spend as much time with as possible.

When asked what she loved most about GCSU Gautier simply stated, "The people and working with the students."

It happened that another honoree felt the same way. Frank McLin, a GCSU custodian, also shared his love for the people here on campus. McLin was honored for his twenty-five years of service and explained how much he loved just about everything about the university. His two sisters, who were tickled with his honor, accompanied him to the ceremony.

Service Honors and Retirees were recognized according to category in the following order: Academic Affairs, Business and Finance, Institutional Research and Enrollment Management, Student Affairs, and University Advancement.

### Academic Affairs

Dr. Anne Gormly recognized William (Neil) Jones for fifteen years of service and Lori Westbrook for twenty years of service. She also recognized Paula Tompkins, a retiree who

was not present at the ceremony. Dr. Roy Moore recognized Dwight Call for his ten years of service and complimented Call for his great achievements in the study abroad program. Dr. Rachel Schipper recognized Elizabeth Broyles and Mary Jones for their ten years of service, along with Gautier.

Dr. Faye Gilbert recognized Judy Johnson for ten years of service, Christopher Lowery for fifteen, and both Gerald Adkins and Tom Moore for an astounding twenty years of service. Dr. Linda Irwin-DeVitis recognized Karynne Kleine for ten years of service and Geza Martiny as a retiree. Dr. Jim Lidstone recognized Autumn Grubb and Michael Martino for ten years of service and Cheryl Kish for twenty years of service. Dr. Mike Digby recognized Ann Portwood in the Dean's office for ten years of service, Kenneth McGill for fifteen years in the Chemistry and Physics department, Peter Carriere and Martin Lammon for ten years of service in the English, Speech and Journalism department.

In the History, Geography and Philosophy department Digby recognized Anne Bailey, John Fair and Deborah Vess for ten years of service. Mary DeVries and Robert Wilson were recognized for twenty years.

In the department of Modern Foreign Languages Hedwig Fraunhofer was recognized for ten years of service along with Roger Noel for twenty years of service.

In the Psychology department Digby recognized both Gregory Jarvie and John Lindsay for their twenty-five years of service. William McDaniel was recognized for thirty years of service.

In the Music and Theatre department Richard Greene and Patti Tolbert were recognized for ten years of service.

### Business and Finance

Mr. Pete Shields recognized Alma Hall for ten years of service and Pamela Glover as a retiree and her hard work for twenty-three years. Mr. Kevin Murner recognized Margeret Benson for ten years of service. For fifteen years of service, Mr. Kevin Murner recognized Henry Deveraux, Oscar Hill, Gregory Mahan, and Linda Walls. Also honored were Donald Smith, who was recognized for twenty years of service, Frank McLin for twenty-five years of service, and Robert Mason for thirty years of service. Al Kobbe, Emmett Rhodes, and Josephine Simmons were recognized as retirees and honored for their many years of hard work. Mr. Rick Ruark recognized Kimberly Umoh for fifteen years of service and Timothy Henry for twenty-five years of service. Mr. Dave Groseclose recognized Robert Butler and Cindy Potts for their ten years of service.

### Faculty Honored

#### Retirees

Donna Gautier  
Paula Tompkins  
Geza Martiny  
Pamela Glover  
Al Kobbe  
Emmett Rhodes  
Josephine Simmons  
Vicki Folendore

#### 30 years

William McDaniel  
Robert Mason

#### 25 years

Frank McLin  
Lori Westbrook  
Gregory Jarvie  
John Lindsay  
Timothy Henry  
Mary Jane Philips

#### 20 years

Gerald Adkins  
Tom Moore  
Cheryl Kish  
Mary DeVries  
Robert Wilson  
Roger Noel  
Donald Smith  
Anita Fraley

#### 15 years

William (Neil) Jones  
Christopher Lowery  
Kenneth McGill  
Henry Deveraux  
Oscar Hill  
Gregory Mahan  
Linda Walls  
Kimberly Umoh

#### 10 years

Dwight Call  
Elizabeth Broyles  
Mary Jones  
Judy Johnson  
Karynne Kleine  
Autumn Grubb  
Michael Martino  
Ann Portwood  
Peter Carriere  
Martin Lammon  
Anne Bailey  
John Fair  
Deborah Vess  
Hedwig Fraunhofer  
Richard Greene  
Patti Tolbert  
Margeret Benson  
Robert Butler  
Cindy Potts  
Penny Callaway  
Kathy Edmonson  
Jeanine Hansel  
Faith Hunter  
Gina Peavy  
Timothy Vacula

### Institutional Research, & Enrollment Management

Ms. Suzanne Pittman presented honors for the Institutional Research and Enrollment Management department. She recognized Penny Callaway and Kathy Edmonson for their ten years of service and Anita Fraley for her twenty years of service.

### Student Affairs

Dr. Bruce Harshbarger presented honors for Student Affairs. He recognized Jeanine Hansel, Faith Hunter and Gina Peavy for their ten years of service, and Mary Jane Philips for her twenty-five years of service.

### University Advancement

Ms. Amy Nitsche presented honors for University Advancement. She recognized Timothy Vacula for ten years of service and Vicki Folendore as a retiree.

# Make our house your home

## Colonial Village

- 2 bedroom / 2 bath
- Washer & dryer in each house
- Total electric
- Free security system
- Full-time maintenance staff
- Outside security lights
- Private Parking

\$450 per month / \$450 security  
deposit for each house



Colonial Village  
600 W. Franklin St.  
478-452-3144

GCSUNADE.COM  
GCSUNADE.COM



# Coverdell symposium examines world elections

*“Our Citizens and National Elections: Czech Republic, Russia and the U.S.”*

By ALI DUCKWORTH  
STAFF REPORTER

Co-sponsored by the Coverdell Institute, the International Education Center and Academic Affairs, the Coverdell Symposium celebrated its fourth year Feb. 25 through 27. This year's theme, “Our Citizens and the 2008 National Elections: Czech Republic, Russia and the U.S.”

“The fundamental purpose of the symposium is to help the campus and the Milledgeville community appreciate the challenges of democratic practices in two countries: the Czech Republic and Russia, now twenty years after the fall of the Communist Empire,” Gregg Kaufman, director of the American Democracy Project said.

Visiting faculty and speakers to GCSU included Dr. Stanislav Bohadlo, musicology and study abroad, University of Hradec Králové; Dr. Jan Outly, chair, political science, University of Hradec Králové; John Reuter, Ph.D. candidate, Emory University; and Dr. Yuliya Tverdova, political science, University of California, Irvine.

The symposium kicked off the week on Monday in the Arts and Sciences Auditorium with a film festival.

“We created the film series because visual material tends to attract certain folk,” Kaufman said.

Selected films for the week included “Frontline: Return of the Czar,” YouTube short films concerning the 2008 national elections moderated by Dr. William Risch, assistant professor of history, GCSU, as well as “After the Velvet Revolution.”

“My goal really is to show how there has been problems in creating a democratic society in Russia when we look at what has happened with the collapse of Communism, with the spread of corruption, the vast differences between rich and poor, and the sense that democracy is somehow being manipulated from outside the country by the West,” Risch said.

Discussion panels were held Monday and Wednesday evening in the Arts and Sciences Auditorium. “Discussion I: Citizens and Democracy,” moderated by Dr. Roy Moore, associate vice president and professor of mass communication, GCSU, and further discussed by Dr. Jaroslav Miller, history, Palacký University; Rueter; and Dr. Jared Johnson, lecturer of mass communication, GCSU, focused primarily on the civic influences by emerging democratic practices, media role and shifts in government and citizen relationships. Facilitated by Risch, and further introduced by Outly, Reuter, and Dr. Michael Digby, interim dean of School of Liberal Arts and Sciences and professor of political science, GCSU, “Discussion II: Citizens and Elections,” on Wednesday, directed focus



Special to The Colonnade  
Dr. Jan Outly spoke on citizens changing perceptions of the Czech President's roles and responsibilities during a panel discussion Wednesday evening in the Arts & Sciences Auditorium.

*“The fundamental purpose of the symposium is to help the campus and the Milledgeville community appreciate the challenges of democratic practices.”*

- Gregg Kaufman  
American Democracy  
Project Director

on function of political parties, election organization, funds, supervision, voting response, as well as key issues for the 2008 national election.

Risch believes that it is significant for everyone to understand why citizens of other countries, especially Russia, feel the way they do, and that different views are present within countries.

“I think it is important for people to understand why Russians feel threatened. Why for them democracy has lost its meaning in some cases, while also trying to point out how there is an attempt to get different opinions on politics and that those different opinions do exist within Russia,” Risch said.

A sold out luncheon with keynote speaker, Tverdova was given Tuesday afternoon in the University Banquet Room, hosted by President Dorothy Leland, where over 130 guests attended. Tverdova spoke on issues concerning the current U.S. national election, political dynamics in both Russia and the Czech Republic, roles of political parties, citizens, media, as well as democracy in Eastern Europe and the Russian Federation.

Tuesday evening gave way to “The Power of Change, The Sound of Changes” concert in the Arts and Sciences Auditorium.

“One of the other things that the Coverdell Symposium has always tried to do is to blend the performing arts and visual arts with our subject matter,” Kaufman said.

The concert featured music from the GCSU Jazz Combo under the direction of Dr. Todd Shiver, professor of music and director of bands, GCSU, Russian music featuring Dr. Richard Mercier, music chair and professor of music, GCSU; and Dr. Wendy Mullen, associate professor of music, GCSU, and music from the Czech Republic featuring Bohadlo.

Guest faculty and speakers also visited eleven classes throughout the week.

Students involved with iColony from University Communications also worked to capture the symposium.

“They are going to be capturing the multimedia means, and capturing the various things that are happening in the symposium, and we hope to put something together,” Kaufman said.

Kaufman hopes that the symposium helped both student and faculty become more globally aware.

“Some people would say that democracy is messy, and I think there are times when many Americans take for granted the hard work of freedom, and even think of it as a historical event with the founders, but in reality, there are founders of democracies all over the world, and what we might have experienced in the eighteenth century, others are experiencing in the late twentieth and early twenty first century,” Kaufman said.

For more information on the events of the 2008 Coverdell Symposium visit [http://www.gcsu.edu/coverdell/2008\\_Symposium.html](http://www.gcsu.edu/coverdell/2008_Symposium.html).

## Coverdell Symposium Speakers

### Dr. Jan Outly

**School:** The University of Hradec Králové, Political Science Chair

**Panel:** Panel - Citizens and Elections

**Time:** Wednesday, Feb. 27, 7 p.m.

**Place:** A&S Auditorium

**Topic:** Current political dynamics in each country including campaign economics, political parties, voting trends and campaign issues.



Outly

### John Reuter

**School:** Emory University, Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science

**Event:** Panel - Citizens and Democracy

**Time:** Monday, Feb. 25, 7 p.m.

**Place:** A&S Auditorium

**Topic:** Russian and Czech democratic practices, citizen engagement and the role of the media.



Reuter

### Dr. Yuliya Tverdova

**School:** University of California Irvine

**Event:** Symposium Luncheon & Address

**Time:** Tuesday, Feb. 26, 12:30 p.m.

**Place:** University Banquet Room

**Topic:** Emerging Democracies and the Courts of Public Opinion in Eastern Europe and Russia.



Tverdova



GEORGIA COLLEGE & STATE UNIVERSITY

“The program has not only given me an opportunity to learn about the business world, but it also gave me a chance to learn about myself.”

Adam Hammond



“Throughout this experience I found myself thinking WOW all the time.” Jason Brinson



“Each and every expectation I had was far exceeded.”  
Randy Noble



“It is a great way to not only establish connections in the professional world, but to also find out things about yourself as a leader that you may have never realized before.”  
Rachel Hodge

“I learned through participating in the GEM program that life is truly a contact sport; not only in the contacts that you make in business in order to get ahead, but also and more importantly, in the way you treat everyone that you come in contact with.”  
Corrie NeSmith



To apply, please visit the Office of Academic Engagement in Beeson Hall, or contact Danae Turchyn, Leadership Programs Assistant, at [danae\\_turchyn@ecats.gcsu.edu](mailto:danae_turchyn@ecats.gcsu.edu)

GCSUNADE.COM  
GCSUNADE.COM



# Opinion

The Colonnade's Forum for Public Debate

Friday, February 29, 2008

www.gcsunade.com

Editor in Chief, Lee Sandow

## OUR VOICE

*Don't get worn out*

Picking a topic for The Voice is never an easy task. Some weeks there are too many things going on that we want to talk about, and some weeks there is nothing whatsoever. This week was strange, as there were the SGA elections and all of homecoming to discuss, but we realized we have long since beaten those horses into the ground.

So after kicking topics around for some time, we finally we decided we were going to write about mid-semester burn out. After all, midterms were in full swing, and student stress levels have reached their peak.

So it came time for the editor to write this (we alternate, and this week the job fell on the editor in chief), and as he sat down to type this up, a strange thing happened. He decided he honestly didn't want to write, and it took everything he had to force himself to do so.

Looks like we couldn't have picked a better topic.

Make no mistake, we're happy to put out a newspaper every week, but between this job and all our other responsibilities (all the editors and writers and photographers are full-time students) it's sometimes hard to get everything done. There are some times when all we want to do is crash on the none-too-comfortable couches in The Colonnade office, and sleep when we should be working (on such things as, for example, The Voice).

Odds are that all our readers, student and faculty alike, feel the same way.

So here's some advice for all our readers, advice we could stand to follow ourselves in the office:

Take some time to relax. This time can be spent sleeping, writing in a diary, chatting on the phone, something low-stress and entirely unrelated to your academic and intramural life. Be sure to budget this free time into your schedule; it will likely be swallowed up otherwise.

Study with friends or in a group setting. Being in the company of others will at least remind you that you aren't alone, and studying in groups can also be more efficient than studying by your own.

Don't forget to eat. Yeah, this one sounds obvious, but some students forget to eat when studying (and designing newspapers, for that matter), and being hungry will impede your studying and make you less prone to get anything accomplished. It also helps if you eat healthy, and not just consume junk food and soda.

We know we already mentioned sleep, but we'll stress that again. A good night of sleep will do more good for your mind and body than studying ever could.

Do your best to maintain your focus and drive during these hectic weeks, and remember – Spring Break is none-too-far away. If nothing else, just keep your eyes on that light at the end of the tunnel. We are.

Send responses to  
colonnadeletters@gcsu.edu

### EDITORIAL BOARD

**Lee Sandow**  
Editor in Chief  
colonnade@gcsu.edu

**Wes Brown**  
News Editor  
colonnadenews@gcsu.edu

**Ana Maria Lugo**  
Features Editor  
colonnadefeatures@gcsu.edu

**Corey Dickstein**  
Sports Editor  
colonnadesports@gcsu.edu

**Chelsea Thomas**  
Asst. News Editor

**S. Ashlee Mooneyhan**  
Asst. Features Editor

**Preston Sellers**  
Asst. Sports Editor

**Katie Huston**  
Online Editor /  
Webmaster

**Erin Gish**  
Photo Editor

**Christa Murphy**  
Ad Manager  
colonnadeads@gcsu.edu

**Bethany Fitts**  
Copy Editor

**Macon McGinley**  
Faculty Adviser

#### AD DISCLAIMER

The Colonnade is not responsible for any false advertising. We are not liable for any error in advertising to a greater extent than the cost of the space in which the item occurs. The Colonnade reserves the right to edit or reject any advertising copy submitted for publication. There is no guaranteed placement of ads. The Colonnade does not accept advertising concerning firearms nor guarantee ads concerning alcoholic beverages.

#### COPYRIGHTS

All stories and photographs appearing in this issue and previous issues, unless otherwise noted, are copyrighted by The Colonnade.

#### CORRECTIONS

The Colonnade wants to correct mistakes appearing in the newspaper. If you believe we have made a mistake, please call us at 478-445-4511 or 478-445-2559 or e-mail us at [colonnade@gcsu.edu](mailto:colonnade@gcsu.edu).

### THE HARD PRESS

BY JAMES ODOM



## Global warming just a cult belief



BY ANDREW ADAMS  
COLUMNIST

Environmentalists and liberals often claim that President Bush and conservatives take part in a fundamentalist ideology, especially in issues of religion and war. The Christian Right is considered to be the characterization of the new Republican Party. Fundamentalism as defined by TheFreeDictionary.com reads: "A usually religious movement or point of view characterized by a return to fundamental principles, by rigid adherence to those principles, and often by intolerance of other views." I'm not sure that the modern Republican Party fits that definition, especially in terms of intolerance to other views. But sure, on an individual basis I'm sure there are intolerant conservatives.

But I do know that environmentalists who can't go outside on a warm day without mentioning how we are just a few years away from global warming destruction are fundamentalist. What are they fundamentalist about? Their global warming cult.

Let's examine how they are fundamentalist first. The idea that man-made global warming exists is a point of view. There is nothing wrong with having a point of view, I actually have several. It also requires the point of view to be characterized by a return to fundamental principles. These principles are that modern day advances and society are causing global warming and must stop. For this to happen, the U.S. needs to give up cars, at least until cars are made that don't pollute. Global citizens should also stop eating meat, especially from cows because that creates more demand for cows which produce a methane gas which environmentalists consider a leading

cause of global warming. Environmentalists have also scheduled city-wide blackouts like the one they have planned for Atlanta and 23 other major world cities at 8 p.m. on March 29. It is scheduled to last an hour and be called Earth Hour. I hate to be the one to point this out, but if someone is looking to rob a bank in Atlanta, I think I know which day and hour they'll pick out. Fundamentalist global warming alarmists want Americans to change their eating, transportation and living habits to adhere to their strict living standards.

How can a global citizen adhere to these demands? Don't drive a car, instead ride a bike or take the bus. Don't eat meat, instead eat fruits, vegetables and the french fries from McDonalds which now are made without meat (I know, they used to be so good). Additionally, you'll need to turn off your electricity, and if you become tempted to use electricity you should probably just move to a cave.

But honestly, do you ever see any environmentalists take these measures? No way. Mr. Inconvenient Truth himself, Al Gore, uses 20 times as much electricity as the average U.S. Household as reported by The New York Times. So what do the elite environmentalists do to purge their conscience? They buy energy offset credits. This sounds a lot like what an older, fundamentalist version of the Catholic Church used to do by selling indulgences. Of course, they saw the error of their ways and stopped about half a millenia ago because they didn't want to be tainted by this fundamentalist practice.

Most environmentalists are also headstrong about their beliefs. In fact, many will not accept the possibility that they could be wrong. They state with absolute certainty that the science is on their side. In reality there are 20,000 scientists that have signed a petition to the United States government stating that man-made global warming does not exist. There is no question that there is serious doubt that

exists about whether humans are the cause of global warming or if global warming even exists.

President Bush's famous line at the 2002 State of the Union Address where he stated to all nations around the globe that "You are either with us or against us." Is considered by some to be a fundamentalist pro-American quote. Environmentalists are the same fundamentalist way in terms of global warming. They often state that there is no chance that they are wrong, meaning that an individual must agree with them, or be wrong. Andrew Sullivan, in The Conservative Soul, writes about how Christianity uses what he considers to be the fundamentalist idea of a rapture to bring people to their faith. He considers this to be the "side with us, or ultimately die, or spend eternity in Hell" like the most extreme sector of almost every religion believes. In their own way, environmentalists practice this idea. Side with us, or drown when global warming causes the oceans to engulf each of us. However, in its current form, the global warming faith has potentially the most dismal ending/apocalypse, with everyone facing death including the global warming faithful.

A large part of a fundamentalist fight is to have younger generations forcibly indoctrinated to a particular ideology. In fundamentalist Muslim nations they teach the Koran and force all students regardless of religion to abide by Sharia Law (the Koran's law). The most extreme fundamentalist Christians in America want all public schools to teach creationism as the only possible origin of humans. Not to be outdone, fundamentalist global warming alarmists in California want global warming to be in every school science textbook and global warming to be a required lesson for every grade. The California Science Teachers Association is all for the idea because as Executive Director Christine Bertrand states, "There's no argument that there is climate change."

Leaving no room for doubt, huh, sounds a little fundamentalist to me. Ask any fundamentalist person, and you will find out that a top priority is always raising the next generation to think like them.

To prove that global warming has turned into a cult I look at the Merriam-Webster definition of cult: A usually small group of people characterized by such devotion, with a body of adherents. Global warming alarmists may not be a very small group, but they certainly have devotion. In fact, I have to give credit to them, for such a boring issue they sure do make a big deal of it. There are a number of adherents, to be a good global warming fundamentalist you must give up meat, cut down on your use of electricity when possible. You must either drive a hybrid or use mass transportation. There is redemption for driving a car, if you cover it in bumper stickers about how you love the environment. If you have a Facebook profile you must make it a "green page," stupid application I know. Lastly, you must tell everyone know that global warming exists, and there is no doubt that it is man-made. If someone questions you, then you tell them all the scientists say so. If they ask what scientist and you're at a loss for words because the only reason you bought into this in the first place was because your science teacher told you so, then tell them to watch "An Inconvenient Truth."

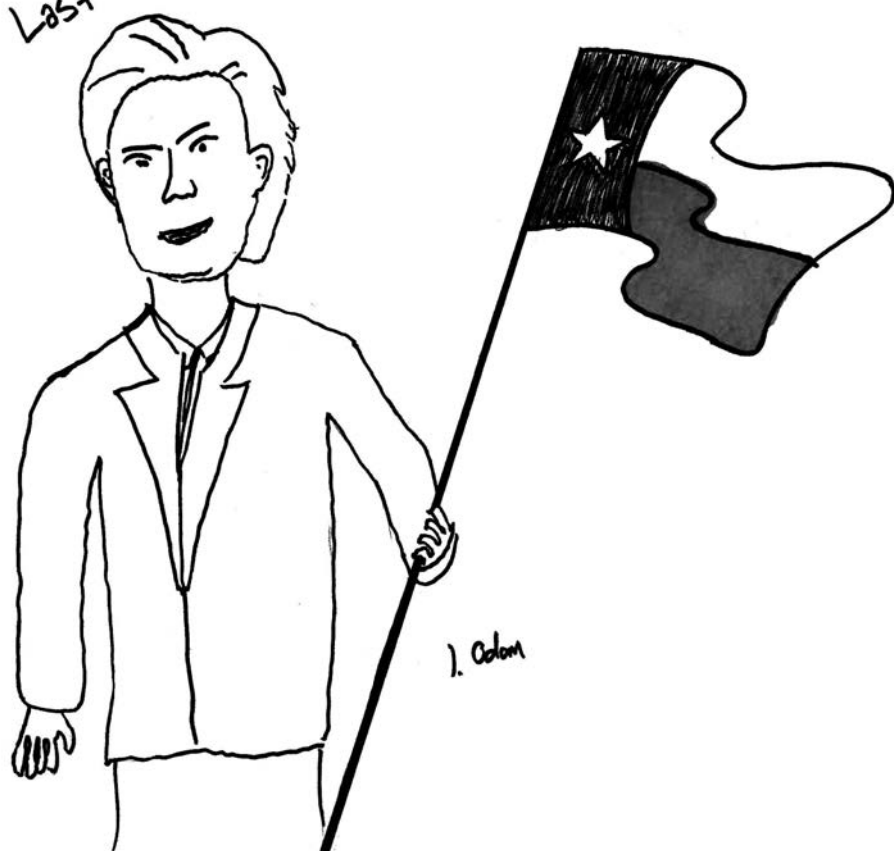
Indeed, An Inconvenient Truth is the holy work of the Global Warming faithful. In California all new buildings must be "green certified" by the U.S. Green Building Council. For a hotel, a requirement to being "green certified" is replacing the Gideons Bible with "An Inconvenient Truth." Unfortunately, I'm not making this up. The cult of global warming is alive and well, and through the use of government measures and mandates this fundamentalist cult will continue to try to entrap all Americans in their beliefs.

Send responses to



## THE HARD PRESS

BY JAMES ODOM

Hillary's  
Last Stand

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Firearm regulations not enough

Dear Editor,

I, like many others, am infuriated by the lack of reason when dealing with the regulation of firearms. It is this ignorance that allowed the recent tragedy at NIU, as well as the massacre at Virginia Tech.

Being a college student this issue hits close to home; especially after the incident here on campus, in which a former MARINE was ousted from our campus for having possession of firearms. These incidents, along with a trust in common sense, point to the fact that despite the illegality of being in possession of a firearm on campus (even with a carrying per-

mit) anyone could conceal one long enough to injure or kill many students with relative ease.

Not only this, but because law abiding citizens tend to obey the law, there will be no one to stop the carnage, just as there was no one at NIU or Virginia Tech, even with the fastest response time from public safety. This not only applies to Universities but also to society as a whole. Believing that regulating firearms will lessen violence is naive to say the least, and akin to believing blindly that prohibition ended the sale, consumption and violence involving alcohol.

Having said that, it is

painfully obvious that the proponents of gun control and their political affiliates cannot have the safety of the people in mind, but because law abiding citizens tend to obey the law, there will be no one to stop the carnage, just as there was no one at NIU or Virginia Tech, even with the fastest response time from public safety. This not only applies to Universities but also to society as a whole. Believing that regulating firearms will lessen violence is naive to say the least, and akin to believing blindly that prohibition ended the sale, consumption and violence involving alcohol.

Isaac Turner,  
junior,  
pre-engineering

## CORRECTIONS &amp; CLARIFICATIONS

• In the Feb. 22 issue of The Colonnade, S. Ashlee Mooneyhan's name was misspelled.

## THE COLONNADE POLICY: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Colonnade encourages readers to express their views and opinions by sending letters to the editor at: CBX 2442; Milledgeville, Ga. 31061 or by e-mail at colonnadeletters@gcsu.edu

All letters must be typed and include:

- names
- address/ Email address

- telephone number
- year of study
- major

Only your name, year of study and major will be listed.

- Unsigned letters will not be printed. Names will be withheld only under very unusual circumstances.
- Letters longer than 300 words may be condensed.

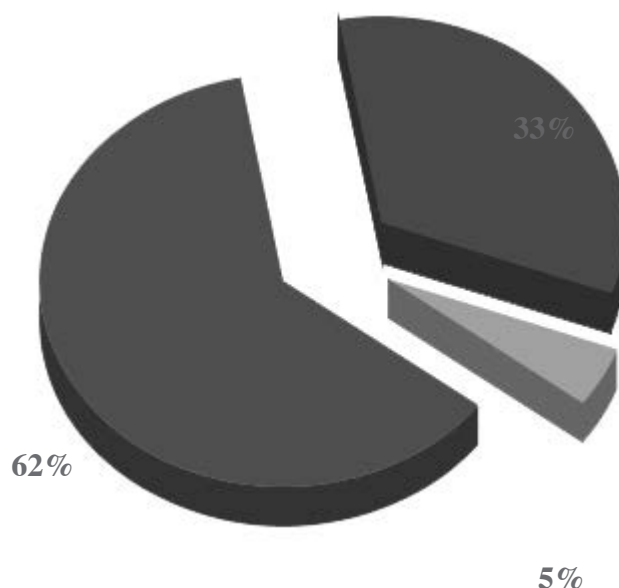
- All letters will be edited for grammar, spelling and punctuation errors.
- All letters become the property of The Colonnade and cannot be returned.
- We are not able to acknowledge their receipt or disposition. Letters will be printed at the discretion of the Editor in Chief.

## POLL OF THE WEEK

GRAPHIC BY LEE SANDOW

## Do you plan to vote in the SGA elections?

Yes 33%  
No 62%  
Undecided 5%



## Next week's question:

Are you excited about the new Fall Break, coming in 2009?

Vote online at [gcsunade.com](http://gcsunade.com)



What is your opinion of  
Homecoming and Mr./Miss GCSU?



"It's a popularity contest, whoever's from the most popular sorority or fraternity. It's not much more than that."

Katie Dunlap, sophomore, psychology

"Truthfully I'm not very involved or interested."

Sarah Fleck, sophomore, pre-nursing



"First off, the chalk is out of control. I kind of wish I knew something about them and not just what fraternity or sorority they represent. It is a good way to get free cookies."

Corey Lopez, freshman, undecided

"Let me put it to you this way, I do not vote. I know nothing about these people. They're all in a fraternity or a sorority, which I have no affiliation with. What reason should I vote for these people?"

Geoffrey Giles, senior, chemistry



"I'm an exchange student so I think it's all very interesting, and it's good to talk about among friends."

Satoko Masui, junior, marketing

Reported by Erin Gish

## The Litter Box

Instant Message with "ColonnadeVent"  
ColonnadeVent  
Last message received at: 6:33:10 PM

You might be a crazy-woman driver at BVA if you were calling me a Son of a \*\*\*\*\* when YOU nearly hit ME.

Kindly air your grievances about your boyfriend getting, or not getting, that hypothetical lap dance from a stripper with HIM...not those of us trapped on a speeding shuttle.

Yay for rain! I finally don't have to look at the chalkings for a stupid popularity contest that won't matter a year, much less a week, from now!

I hope the construction in the Adams lot does more than make me lose my parking space; it needs to eradicate the birds that are defecating on my car.

When I graduated high school a few years back, I was certain that I had effectively escaped popularity games. I am beyond disappointed to see these games are alive and well in the incessant canvassing of our campus by Mr. and Miss GCSU candidates. We sincerely don't care. Thank goodness for the past two rain showers that washed your repulsive chalk graffiti away.

If you want to win Miss GCSU, its probably a good idea not to vandalize the school sidewalks with chalked graffiti, also putting flyers on people's cars just makes them angry and probably deters them from voting for you.

To the whiner who went so far as to stick a copy of the LitterBox to the window in the SAC: Get over yourself. Nobody outside your little circles knows any of the candidates for Mr/Miss GCSU. Most of us are concerned with bigger and better things, like, oh, I don't know, SGA elections! (And thanks a lot for covering up some of their campaign posters with your own. That wasn't selfish AT ALL!) SGA actually DOES THINGS for the student body. Your little popularity contest (and yes, that's just what it is!) does nothing but add an event to Homecoming Week. Just because it's a tradition doesn't mean it's important. (And for your information, I don't sit in my room and play Halo.) In the entire time I've been at GCSU, I have known TWO, yes count them, TWO of the Mr/Miss GCSU candidates. And do you know why? One was my RA, and the other was my neighbor. Posting your little rant in bright orange marker in a public place was not only petty and childish, but it casts GCSU in a bad light as well. It doesn't help that the SGA office is right around the corner. The truth is, most of us DON'T care about your little contest. It's simply a form of entertainment we're not interested in. I'm sick of the chalk too, and praying for rain, so shut your mouth, grow up, and come back when you've got something important to contribute, like, oh, I don't know -- bringing back Fall Break, increasing wireless speeds, extending access hours for some of our facilities, or anything else the students actually want or need. Until then, try to live with the fact that yes, you're just in a stupid popularity contest that contributes absolutely nothing to this school, and yes, your whining evokes images of a mid-90s valley girl with an IQ barely rivaling that of a jar of mayonnaise.

Want to vent about something? Send us a message about what's bothering you to screen name ColonnadeVent. Comments can be sent anytime, any day of the week.

Add Get info Send



# Time is *running* out!



Housing will soon begin to process incoming freshmen housing applications. Get priority selection by applying for housing today at **[www.gcsu.edu/housing](http://www.gcsu.edu/housing)**.



UNIVERSITY  
**Housing**  
**[www.gcsu.edu/housing](http://www.gcsu.edu/housing)**

**Connecting you to what you need.**



# Features

The Colonnade's Guide to Art and Entertainment

Friday, February 29, 2008

www.gcsunade.com

Section Editor, Ana Maria Lugo

## African issues a concern for everyone

AUDREY PETKAS  
STAFF REPORTER



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE WEB  
AFRICAN UNION LOGO COURTESY OF  
WWW.AFRICAN-UNION.ORG

Pillaging, murder and rape, as tools of war, are never-ending in Darfur. Untold numbers of women are being captured by the Arab Janjaweed militia and turned into sex slaves. Amnesty International and the United Nations have documented the sex slavery epidemic, yet the findings have gone virtually un-noticed by the American press.

Men are castrated before being mutilated and tortured to death. Darfur refugee camps are void of water, food and firewood. Children color pictures of death, rape and destruction instead of family portraits.

The current conflict is seen to be ethnic and tribal, rather than religious. The crisis has been called the first great genocide of the twenty-first century, claiming more than 400,000 lives. Genocide is an intentional effort to destroy an entire ethnic or racial group.

This intense topic, among many others, was discussed by the African Union Ambassador to the United States, Amina S. Ali, on Friday, Feb. 22, in Arts and Sciences.

"We need support from partners to pursue our own agenda regarding this matter. A hybrid force, created by the United Nations and Africa, is needed to take action," said Ali in the lecture, "The Role of the African Union in Resolving Conflicts in Africa."

The African Union has sent 7,000 troops to Sudan, but they have been able to do little to stop the killings in Darfur. Janjaweed, roughly translated as "devils on horseback," are armed with expensive machine guns. The African tribes can hardly defend themselves against these attacks because they lack money and the resources to obtain guns.

Ali is the first ambassador for the African Union. She is also a leader and activist for human rights. The African Union (AU) is the African counterpart to

the European Union, it is an organization made up of 50 percent men and 50 percent women. The AU's overarching purpose is promoting the total globalization, both social and economic, of the peoples of Africa; it involves the decolonization and the drive toward independence of many African countries.

"The AU's mission is to create a relationship with the United States and United States corporations. We wish to build a partnership that will allow sensitivities to Africa. We want to build support for Africa, prevent deceptive media and form a positive image of Africa by giving people knowledge," Ali said.

Ali asked the crowd, "What is wrong with African politics? Should Africa be like the U.S. and form a democracy?"

Africa is an expansive country; it would be trite to put the continent of Africa under the stereotype of "underdeveloped" or "primal." However, much of Africa still operates under a tribal mindset. In most African nations a person is defined as a citizen only in paper while primary designation is that of an ethnic group. The majority of Africans are not able or willing to forsake their tribal allegiances.

When asked how the tribal mindset affects Africa, Ali said, "We wish to create unity among Africans, allowing the people of Africa to see themselves as one. In order for Africa to unite, it is important that people understand the traditions of tribes but to also let minority tribes have a say through a system of checks and balances," said Ali.

The African Union does not see the tribal mindset as a cancer but poses the progressive question, "How can we channel this tribal energy into a national mainstream?"

Although the AU is a supporter of many African and tribal traditions, female circumcision is not a tradition they support. Female circumcision, also known as female genital mutilation, has been ingrained in many cultures for over 2,000

years and has affected over 135 million girls and women. In Africa, 85 percent of female circumcision cases consist of Clitoridectomy, the removal of the entire clitoris (prepuce and glands) and the removal of the adjacent labia. This procedure is usually done without anesthesia or sterilized tools. The instruments used could be anything ranging from a piece of sharp glass to a tin lid. Once the procedure is finished the child's legs are bound for up to 40 days. Such a procedure can result in many maladies, including HIV.

"AU feels this tradition is wrong and wishes to ban female circumcision. The tradition began when there was war among certain tribes and the husband had to leave for extended periods of time. The woman was sewn up or circumcised to remove any sexual temptation. In many cases a woman is not considered clean unless the procedure has been done. Female circumcision results in many health implications and should be banned and treated as a criminal offense," said Ali.

The expansion of U.S. military bases in Africa was also a large part of the lecture. Although many in Africa would like to see military bases as a form of security many are not willing to see the military presence that comes with a military base. They see it as another area for confrontation.

Dr. Bragg, assistant professor of English, said, "I think that a military presence in Africa will aid how the country is going to expand. Many are afraid that the militarization of Africa will lead to the re-colonization of Africa. It is important for students to see how these issues relate to them in order for them to actually care. This is a U.S. policy issue. This isn't just about building bases; it has other economic ramifications."

With countries like the U.S. vying for Africa's vast resources, including 30 per-

Africa Page 11



BOBBY GENTRY / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

"Every time the beat drops" is a part of a Black History and Social Justice Awareness Month.

## Hip-hop more than a genre

ROCHELLE SMALLS  
STAFF REPORTER

On Thursday, Feb. 21, 2008, The Black Student Alliance and the GCSU Chapter of NAACP sponsored a forum entitled, "Every Time the Beat Drops." This forum discussed how hip-hop is more than a genre; how it has evolved into a fashion, status and a lifestyle. Ultimately, hip-hop has become a culture.

Led by Roderick Sylvester, the president of the NAACP, the forum included a four person panel: Dr. Beauty Braggs, assistant professor of English; Emmanuel Little, admissions counselor; Brittany Lewis, a junior mass communications major who is also an aspiring singer/song writer; and Ronny Mills, a producer.

While the questions asked were directed to the panel, the audience felt inspired to get involved and

voice their opinions to the topics at hand. With the constant interaction between audience and panel, this forum discussed everything from the status quo of hip-hop, to women's roles in the music industry.

The first question that was raised was, "What is the status quo of hip-hop?" Before this question could be answered, four songs were played for the audience to simply listen to and enjoy. The first song was KRS-One's "Love," then Soulja Boy's "Crank That," next was Queen Latifah's "Ladies First," and last but not least, Dem Franchize Boyz's "Lean Wit It, Rock Wit It," were played.

"Those four songs represent what hip-hop sounds like," said Sylvester after listening to all four songs. The question of status quo was once again relayed to the panel.

"Hip-hop is like we are" it reflects "whatever our state is," said Braggs.

Lewis however, believes that "hip-hop has become very commercial," and in today's industry, it is more about sales than the true essence.

"People have become anti hip-hop of this culture that they do not understand," said Little.

Mills, who was born in the Caribbean, remembers how easily children back at home were influenced by hip-hop's clothing and style. Their style changed when hip-hop's style changed.

"Hip-hop has evolved just like mankind," said Mills.

Indeed "old school" hip-hop music and today's version of hip-hop is so drastically different that one may wonder if they're even from the same genre.

"Music is evolving," said Braggs, "We as fans do not want to hear old hip-hop."

Hip-hop Page 11

## Capturing the moments

CLAIRE KERSEY  
STAFF REPORTER

Los Angeles artist Dan McCleary visited GCSU last week as part of his exhibit "The Artist's Process: Paintings, Prints and Drawings." He gave a lecture on Feb. 20 and answered questions about his work at the gallery opening the next day.

McCleary has shown his art in many cities, such as New York, Los Angeles and Houston, Texas.

"Carlos (Herrera) asked if I would do a show, and I had never been to the South," McCleary said. "I knew it would be an interesting experience."

His process is mapped through his studies, paintings and prints that all contribute to his final pieces. All these steps are part of the exhibit. For example, the work "Alex Jimenez" is shown in three different forms, as an etching, rough around the edges, a framed pencil drawing and finally as an oil painting. The drawing and painting were donated to the GCSU permanent collections.

McCleary's art is inspired by ordinary people. He captures moments in the lives of people in the service industry such as chefs, waiters and convenience store employees.

"I love everyday life; it's my biggest influence," McCleary said.

The artwork captures a moment in time. McCleary enjoys making his works open-ended. The subjects bear intense stares and solemn expressions, leaving the work open for interpretation. The viewer can create his own back story, wondering where the person came from, what they are thinking and what they are like.

Art professor Ernesto Gomez can identify with some of the themes in McCleary's art. He especial-

ly connected with "Seven-Eleven," an aptly named painting of a Seven-Eleven employee, because of his own stint working at a convenience store.

"When you're behind the counter, you're very vulnerable," Gomez said. "I like how he treats the figure."

To depict these scenes, McCleary builds sets in his studio. Some of his props are made of cardboard and Styrofoam to form makeshift cash registers and other supplies. He also goes to restaurant supply stores for props.

For some scenes, he takes pictures and uses those to build his sets. The backgrounds are often an amalgamation of photos he has taken. The cityscapes are fictitious.

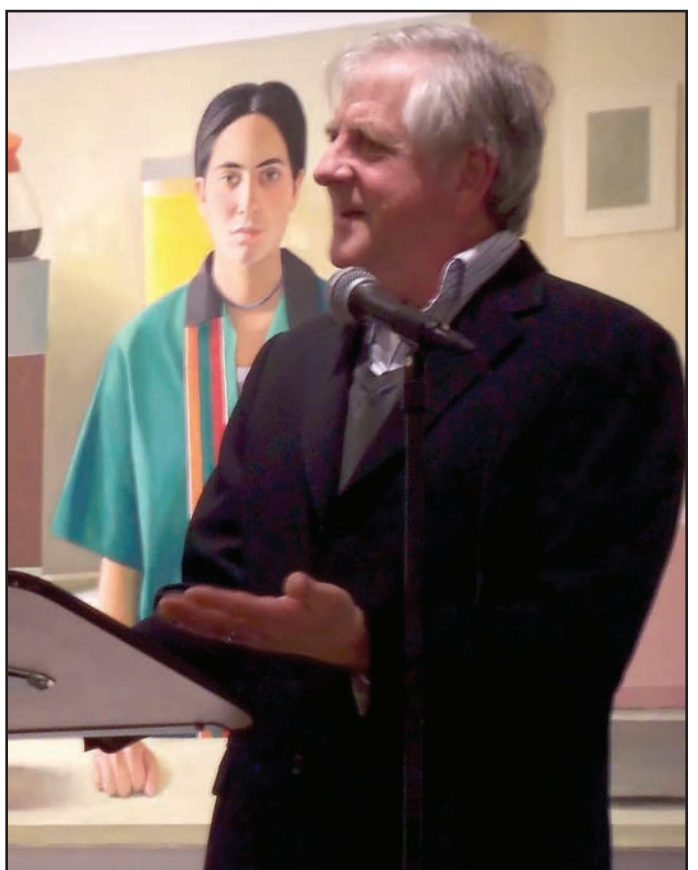
"I didn't really have any formal training," McCleary said.

This lack of training led him to discover his artistic

influences. He especially enjoys the works of Jan Vermeer, Edward Hopper and Edouard Manet. McCleary consults art books while he creates his art, letting his predecessors guide his new takes on their art. Film has also played a role in his work. McCleary was a filmmaker before changing tracks into art.

The Manet connection was made particularly clear in the exhibit, showing the Manet paintings that inspired McCleary's art in the summaries.

The exhibit was a senior capstone project for museum studies major Jamie Waugh. Her process began last semester; she coordinated the exhibit, doing research on the artists that influenced McCleary and deciding on the layout of the gallery, all of her work culminating in the opening of the show.



KATIE RAGAN / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
McCleary showcases his portraits inspired by average people.



# Blue & Green like you've never seen

*Campus hype brings color and life as school embraces Homecoming week*



KATIE RAGAN / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Office decorating contest helps spread the Bobcat spirit.

ANA MARIA LUGO  
SENIOR REPORTER

The campus is bustling this week with an array of election posters and rainbow hued sidewalks as the student body prepares itself for the biggest homecoming this school has ever displayed. Semester long hype and a week long celebration have Homecoming on everyone's brain.

Monday, Feb. 25 commenced Homecoming week as students took advantage of the \$5 college bowl night at Baldwin Bowling Center to benefit Big Brothers and Big Sisters' Bowl for Kids Sake.

Freshman marketing major and Zeta Tau Alpha member Emily Beatty bowled the night away in a packed bowling alley. "I came here because a friend of mine thought it would be fun," Beatty said. "It's fun because I get community hours, hang-out with my friends, and it's for a good cause."

Incorporating events with homecoming, such as the Bowl for Kids' Sake, has definitely added fun and camaraderie to

the otherwise lackluster Homecomings of the past. But with an invigorated effort, GCSU is sure to make this year's Homecoming an affair to remember.

"I really hope they continue having events like these in the future," Lesley Chestnut, a nursing major, said. "It gives the students something to do and get excited about."

And while the weather may have dampened the outdoor dinner and bonfire event, the campus seems to hardly miss the buzz of on going promotions and activities.

"I am most definitely excited about Homecoming this year," Freshman Fabianna Field-Green said. "I love how the school is getting really in to it."

Campus offices are also getting into the swing of things with an array of blues and greens adorning hallways, rooms and little knick-knacks in the offices.

It's definitely been a Blue & Green campus like this school has never seen.



ERIN GISH / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER  
Bowling night kicked-off the festivities on Monday, Feb. 25.



KATIE RAGAN / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Even little figurines could not escape Homecoming craze.



ERIN GISH / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER  
Chevene Simmons shows form as he and other students support college bowl night.

## HOME COMING

BLUE AND GREEN LIKE  
YOU'VE NEVER SEEN!

2008 SCHEDULE

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25

**BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS  
BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE**  
Baldwin Bowling Center  
from 10 p.m. til 12 a.m.

**OFFICE DECORATION COMPETITION**  
Judging will be held in the  
afternoon. Winners will be  
announced on Wednesday, February 27.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

**SODEXHO SERVING DINNER OUTSIDE**  
Outside the Wellness Depot from 5 - 7 p.m.

**YELL-LIKE-HELL (YLH) COMPETITION**  
Starting at 7 p.m. outside the Wellness Depot  
in conjunction with the Bonfire Pep Rally

**INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL PLAYOFFS**  
In the Centennial Center  
starting at 7 p.m.

**BONFIRE PEP RALLY**  
Starting at 8 p.m. outside  
the Wellness Depot

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

**SOFTBALL DOUBLEHEADER VS.  
WEST GEORGIA**  
Starting at 2 p.m. at the  
West Campus Softball Field

**BLUE AND GREEN COLLEGE BOWL (ROUND 1)**  
Starting at 8 p.m. in the  
Magnolia Ballroom of the Student Center

VISIT THE WEBSITE AT: [HOMECOMING.GCSU.EDU](http://HOMECOMING.GCSU.EDU)

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

**CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD (CAB) MOVIE NIGHT -  
SUPERBAD** - Starting at 8 p.m. in the  
Magnolia Ballroom of the Student Center

**BLUE AND GREEN COLLEGE BOWL (ROUND 2)**  
Starting at 10 p.m. in the  
Magnolia Ballroom of the Student Center

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29

**SISTER HAZEL**  
Starting at 8 p.m. at West Campus  
Gates open at 7 p.m.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 1

**BOBCAT RAMBLE**  
Starting at 8 a.m. at the Wellness Depot

**BASEBALL DOUBLEHEADER VS. SHIPPENSBURG**  
Starting at 1 p.m. at West Campus - Kurtz Field

**HOMECOMING PARADE**  
Lineup at 12 p.m. at Peabody Parking Lot,  
Parade starts at 2 p.m.

**LEGACY BANQUET/BALL**  
Banquet at 6 p.m., University Banquet Room  
Ball at 8 p.m., Maxwell Student Union

### SUNDAY, MARCH 2

**BASEBALL VS. SHIPPENSBURG**  
Starting at 1 p.m. at West Campus - Kurtz Field

**PRE-GAME PICNIC**  
Starting at 12 p.m. in the Centennial Parking Lot  
until game time

**HOMECOMING BASKETBALL GAMES**  
Women's game at 2 p.m. and Men's game  
at 4 p.m. In the Centennial Center



## “masterful”

vs.

## “meaningless”



“Stand on another line, why?  
You did a crime now the time is mine  
I school you and your crew, why?  
Youse is my brother  
Stop - sellin and killin one another  
Take some time, to see what's missin  
Brothers in the ?, we on a mission”  
**Run D.M.C., “Word is born,” [www.azlyrics.com](http://www.azlyrics.com)**



“Now that you're gone it hit us  
Super hard on Thanksgiving and Christmas, this can't be right  
Yeah you heard the track I did man, this can't be life  
Somebody please say grace so I can save face  
And have a reason to cover my face”  
**Kanye West, “Family Business,” [www.azlyrics.com](http://www.azlyrics.com)**



“Ain't nobody tell us it wuz fair  
no luv for my daddy, cause tha coward wuzn't there  
he passed away and I didn't cry  
cause my anger, wouldn't let me feel for a stranger  
they say i'm wrong and i'm heartless  
but all along I wuz looking for a father--he wuz gone”  
**Tupac Shakur, “Dear Mama,” [www.metrolyrics.com](http://www.metrolyrics.com)**



“I'm the flyest thing walkin' through junior high school  
So make room next to your little backstreet poster  
Cause Bow Wow's here and its over; YA HEARD”  
**Lil bow bow, “Bow Wow,” [www.azlyrics.com](http://www.azlyrics.com)**



“Meet me in the trap its going down  
Meet me in the mall its going down  
Meet me in the club its going down  
Any where ya meet me guaranteed to go down”  
**Yung Joc, “Goin' Down,” [www.azlyrics.com](http://www.azlyrics.com)**



“I could go number one ten times  
Pretty girls that like my rhymes  
You can say Bubba ain't gonna shine  
Guess wha, wha, don't really give a hootnanny”  
**Bubba Sparks, “Hootnanny,” [www.sing365.com](http://www.sing365.com)**

PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE WEB  
DESIGN BY S. ASHLEE MOONEYHAN

## Hip-hop

Continued from Page 9...

Braggs further proved her point by revealing the audience's physical response when they heard a new song compared to the older songs by Queen Latifah and KRS-One. Heads bobbed as they caught the rhythm of Dem Franchize Boyz and Soulja Boy, but not too much enjoyment was shown when listening to the old hip-hop.

The panel further expounded on hip-hop and status quo, and realized that today's hip-hop music though more popular and current, the music has lost its literary component.

“New songs do not really say anything,” said Bragg.

Agreeing with Bragg, Little recognizes that hip-hop used to be the “movement of the youth generation”; however, it now has a completely different definition.

“A lack of real talent found in artists like Soulja Boy over shine real artist such as T.I.,” said Cody Blenman, an audience member and freshman GCSU student.

The next topic that was on the floor included the fact that cars and jewelry are so prominent in the hip-hop culture. King Ice.com advertises that it is selling, “the latest hip-hop bling bling .925 silver bullet chains made of real

cubic zirconium diamonds,” which is something that is seen on the necks of many artists.

It is “American culture,” said Braggs, “and materialism is an expression of power.”

This is evident in popular music videos where artists show-off a very lavish lifestyle of highly accessorized cars, scantily clad women and diamonds from head to toe.

“When hip-hop first started, we had to show off what we had acquired,” said Little.

This is why we are so involved in showing and wearing our achievements. Lewis believes that this “bling bling” attitude “gives a false impression that all you need is one song and you are rich.”

The last topic to be discussed was the current state of the media and its influence on hip-hop. Before this topic was discussed, Jim Jones' “Certified Gangster” and Destiny's Child's “Soldier” music videos were played.

Jones' music video starts out with a robbery that leads to a shooting, which was edited out when played on MTV and BET. Destiny's Child's music video included the lyrics, “If your status ain't hood, I ain't checkin' for him, Betta be street if he lookin' at me.”

“Media is glorifying the thug lifestyle,” said Mills, “however, what they express through rap is what they live. It may look glorified, but it is actually reality.”

Through media, people think they want to be thugs until they have to live a thug's life.

“Everyone wants to be Tupac (Shakur) until they get shot,” said Little.

Blenman believes they are only “talking about the day to day life that people do not want to talk about.”

Unfortunately, this media gangster that so many young children imitate, is leading to an identity crisis. “We watched Bow Wow grow up, and we know exactly where he came from, but now he is a thug? Identity crisis are occurring with these fads that are coming and going,” said Audia Jones, a junior marketing major and audience member.

Another member of the audience, Marcus Green, a sophomore accounting major said, “If we develop a concept of who a real man is, that will change our perception of what a black man is.” We will no longer need to look to the media for false advertisement.

Today's media has created an illusion of what hip-hop truly means. It has become overtaken by the idea of earning a quick dollar and showing off one's earnings. Although today's hip-hop has shied away from truly being poetic works of art, hip-hop is still affecting the lives of people across the world. This genre turned culture is a constant factor of trends, lifestyles and attitudes.

## Africa

Continued from Page 9...

cent of the world's oil, many Africans, and the AU, want to make sure that the country will be able to reap the benefits.

The final message to you, from Ambassador Ali is this:

“The world is changing each moment. Who are the prayers of the world? It is the youth's time to seize the moment, to see the possibility for change in the world. Communication is easy now with Facebook and Youtube. Link with other

parts of the world ... with Africa, and make peace.”

Olufunke Fontenot, assistant dean, said, “We are working on a memorandum of understanding and an opportunity for students to work at the African Union mission in D.C. or even at the African Union headquarters in Africa.”

Visit the Web sites of the Genocide Intervention Network, [genocideintervention.net](http://genocideintervention.net), and ENOUGH Project, [enough-project.org](http://enough-project.org). There you can call on President Bush, members of Congress and presidential candidates to help bring an end to the atrocities in Darfur.



BOBBY GENTRY / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

The Honorable H.E. Amina S. Ali, the African Union Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary to the United States of America, speaks on behalf of the African Union about issues plaguing Africa today. Ali is the first African Union ambassador to visit the United States.



Help stop genocide in Darfur.  
Demand International Action.  
<http://action.savedarfur.org/campaign/savedarfurcoalition>

**88.9FM  
WGUR**

Student radio run right

Ch. 58 ANYWHERE on campus

The  
**EDGE**  
in Milledgeville

The Student Voice of  
Georgia College &  
State University



# Sports

The Colonnade's Guide to Athletics and Recreation

Friday, February 29, 2008

www.gcsunade.com

Section Editor, Corey Dickstein

## Softball team on a tear

BY AUBREY PETKAS  
STAFF WRITER

The No. 23 Lady Bobcats softball team's weekend victories at the Charger Chillout Tournament gave them positive momentum for their first home game of the season.

After winning three of their four games over the weekend, including upsetting the current No. 1 ranked school in women's softball, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, GCSU went on to win both of their games on Wednesday.

On Saturday, the Lady Bobcats started the tournament with a victory over the University of Southern Indiana, an 11-3 run-rule decision.

Junior first baseman Chelsea Wilson blasted two homers in the game and now leads the team with three on the season. Wilson, senior catcher Shelby Lindsey and freshman third baseman Maggie Davis each went three-for-four. Wilson finished with five RBIs. Junior second baseman Lindsey Swanson went two-for-four with three RBIs and a run scored.

"We were three and one over the weekend," Head Coach Ginger Chaffinch said. "We would have loved to have gone four-for-four, that was what we were practicing for."

The double-header left the West Georgia Lady Wolverines with a 2-0 shutout and a 9-5 loss. The Lady Bobcat's junior pitcher, Mandy Chandler, dominated the field in game one, hurling 15 strikeouts in a complete game shutout.

"We swept both games today, you know. We always like to win," Chandler said. "It was pretty cold getting into the second game and it took me a while to warm up. I need to work on hitting my spots. I was a little out of control the first few innings, but we won and that's what counts."

The strong winds stayed constant throughout the games while the temperature dipped exceedingly low, leaving fans shivering in their blankets.

"Mandy has a lot of experience and we saw that today," Chaffinch said. "We can always depend on her consistency."

Chandler was named the Peach Belt Conference Pitcher

Softball Page 13

## Bobcats struggle at AASU

BY COREY DICKSTEIN  
SENIOR REPORTER



FILE PHOTO  
Redshirt freshman Gator Parker (1-0, 3.18 ERA) fires a strike against Benedict College last Wednesday.

No. 10 ranked Armstrong Atlantic State University snapped GCSU's baseball team's nine game winning streak by taking two of three games from the Bobcats over the weekend in the team's first Peach Belt Conference series.

No. 11 GCSU dropped the first two games 6-2 and 8-4, but a ninth inning rally in game three gave the Bobcats a 4-2 victory.

In the inning, senior second baseman Tony Rice doubled to right field playing sophomore designated hitter Andrew Evans, who reached on a walk, to take a 3-2 lead. Rice then advanced to third when redshirt freshman centerfielder Brad Jackson singled, and scored the games

final run when junior left-fielder Derek Johns was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded.

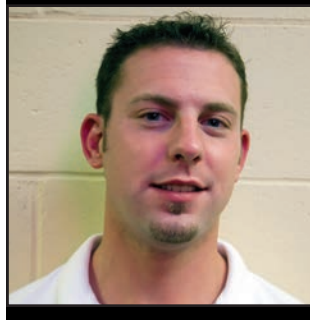
Senior pitcher Shaun Monica continued to pitch well in his 6.2 innings of work in game three, but earned a no-decision in the effort. Senior closer Michael Newman got the win with his 2.1 innings of hitless work.

Sophomore right fielder led the Bobcats at the plate with his three-for-five performance that included a run. Senior catcher Pete Paris and Rice each went two-for-four with an RBI and a run scored.

Senior starter Sean Heimpel continued to strug-

Baseball Page 13

## The Season PASS



BY COREY DICKSTEIN  
SPORTS EDITOR

### How 'bout them Lady Bobcats?

In 1889, Georgia Normal & Industrial College was founded as a finishing school for women.

In 2008, that same school, now GCSU, has a very special group of women – the female student-athletes.

Over the course of this school year, some of the women's athletic teams have thrived.

The soccer team got the year started with their best season in history. The ladies posted a 13-5 record and advanced to semifinal round of the Peach Belt Conference Tournament in their fourth season.

At the same time the women's cross country team managed to take third place in the PBC, their best performance in school history.

While the Lady Bobcats basketball team has struggled this season, they have shown that they are a talented group despite their 13-13 record.

Currently the Lady Bobcats softball team and women's tennis team are proving to be national powers.

The softball team has raced to a 13-3 start. They even knocked off defending national champion, and No. 1 ranked, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville this past weekend.

The ladies appear poised to make a very legitimate run at a PBC title.

Meanwhile, the Lady Bobcats tennis squad stands undefeated at 5-0. These ladies pulled off a huge upset of their own, when they topped the No. 5 ranked University of West Florida last Saturday in Columbus, Ga.

So why are our women's teams doing so well this year?

The answer is simple, GCSU has brought in quality women who are extremely talented and hard-working.

I am thoroughly excited about all of our sports teams at GCSU, but this could prove to be a particularly special year for the women, as the softball and tennis teams look to chase down PBC titles and continue to jump up the national ranking lists.

## Tennis teams ace early tests

BY PRESTON SELLERS  
SENIOR REPORTER

The GCSU tennis teams are making a statement with their early-season play. The ladies could make an argument for being right up there with baseball as the best team on campus, and the men are not far behind.

The first true test of the season came on Saturday, Feb. 16 in Columbus, Ga., with a match up against the highly talented squads from the University of West Florida. The Bobcats entered the contest with their men's and women's teams ranked No. 20 and No. 17 respectively, while the Argonauts of UWF came in with the men at No. 3 and the ladies at No. 5.

The Bobcat men took the highly-ranked Argos down to the final match, and played very well in a 5-4 defeat. Redshirt junior Erick Siquera, freshman Francis Yoshimoto and sophomore Max Beliankou earned GCSU wins in singles play. Coach Steve Barsby made the men's doubles adjustments he promised, as Siquera teamed with Yoshimoto for the first time to record the only doubles win.



BOBBY GENTRY / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER  
Sophomore Diane Danna awaits a serve against Brenau University on Sunday. Danna is 4-1 in doubles and 4-0 in singles. The Lady Bobcats, currently ranked No. 17, upset No. 5 West Florida last Sunday in Columbus, Ga.

The Lady Bobcats proved the preseason rankings incorrect by taking care of the Lady Argonauts in convincing fashion, winning six of nine matches.

The lone doubles win

came from junior Marie Lefevre and freshman Bertille Lion, but GCSU caught fire in singles play, taking five of the six matches.

Sophomores Marjorie Ceppo and Diane Danna

recorded upsets of UWF players ranked in the top 50, and senior Sofia Intriago, junior Gabby Acuna, and Lefevre

Tennis Page 13

## Intramurals prove to be an outlet for former athletes



KATIE RAGAN /  
Freshman Jesse Laudino tosses a flying disc on Front Campus.

BY SCOTT THOMPSON  
STAFF REPORTER

Like many college students, sophomore Matt Rier could barely contain his excitement before coming to GCSU.

"I was so excited about college as a whole," Rier said. "But the only thing I wasn't thrilled about, at the time, was that I thought I wouldn't be playing competitive sports again. Sports were a big part of my life in high school, and I really wanted to keep play-

ing through college."

Like many students before, Rier found his answer in intramural sports. Intramurals have long provided the GCSU student body with a means of playing organized sports.

"I'm glad that there are opportunities here for me to stay active in sports," Rier said. "Now that I've been here for over a year, I've seen that intramurals are a big deal, and I love that."

GCSU offers intramural sports that range from flag

football to table tennis, golf to basketball and nearly everything in between. Students can choose to play in a casual league or a competitive one.

Competitive intramural leagues can bear an eerie resemblance to college and professional sports teams. Teams in the competitive leagues at GCSU have been known to recruit and build dynasties in their respective sports. The competitive

Sports Page 13

# THE SHORT STOP



### Upcoming Sports

#### Baseball:

Saturday	1 p.m.	Shippensburg
Sunday	12 p.m.	Shippensburg
Tuesday	6 p.m.	Lenoir-Rhyne
Wednesday	4 p.m.	@Valdosta
Fri. - Sun.	Tournament @FMU	
Tuesday	2 p.m.	@North Ga

#### Tennis:

Friday	1 p.m.	@Clayton
Monday	2 p.m.	North Ga
Wednesday	2:30 p.m.	@Newberry
<b>Basketball:</b>		
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	USC-Aiken
<b>Golf:</b>		
Mon. - Tue.	Tournament @Catawba	

### Stat of the Week

## 39-6

The overall record for the women's tennis team in matches this season. The Lady Bobcats upset the No. 5 University of West Florida Argonauts 6-3 last weekend.



## Tennis

Continued from Page 12 ...

added wins.

Following the solid outing, the teams returned home for a night's rest and came out firing on all cylinders against the University of Alabama at Huntsville on Sunday.

The men ended their one-match losing streak by putting away the Chargers 7-2. Siquera, Yoshimoto, and Beliankou continued their undefeated seasons, and sophomore Giovane Nucci and senior Matthew Belenchia also picked up singles wins.

The Lady Bobcats set the tone by sweeping the three doubles matches. Senior Celine Martin and Danna dominated top doubles, and the Ceppo/Intriago and Lefevre/Lion combinations also grabbed wins.

In singles play, senior Whitney Lightfoot picked up her first win of the season in her first official match. Ceppo, Lefevre, Intriago, and Acuna also won singles matches.

After a week off, the ladies returned to action on Sunday, Feb. 24 against Brenau University on the Centennial Center courts. There did not appear to be any rust for the surging Lady Bobcats squad, as they quickly disposed of the Golden Tigers 8-1.

Several players added to their already stout records. Martin / Danna, Ceppo/Intriago, and

Lefevre/Lion swept doubles yet again, and Intriago was the only one of the six to drop a singles match.

At this point, Ceppo, Danna, Lefevre and Lion are all undefeated in singles play this season. Lefevre has absolutely demolished her competition at the fourth singles position, including four matches in which she has shut out her opponent 6-0, 6-0.

The men's team is currently 4-1 overall and holds a 32-11 record in matches

this season, and the ladies have been extremely impressive, remaining unbeaten at 5-0 with an incredible 39-6 match record.

The national Division II tennis rankings are scheduled to be updated on March 7, and both squads should improve their positions in the polls. If the Lady Bobcats continue their stellar play, GCSU may add another top-5 program to the already impressive spring sports résumé.



BOBBY GENTRY / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER  
Senior Celine Martin returns a ball to her opponent on Sunday at the Centennial Courts. The Lady Bobcats have started their tennis season 5-0, with wins over Georgia Southwestern, Limestone, West Florida, UAB - Huntsville and Brenau.

## Baseball

Continued from Page 12 ...

gle on the mound in game one, surrendering six earned runs on 11 hits in 6.1 innings of work to take the 6-2 loss.

Pirate's starter Cody Walden held the Bobcat bats in check, allowing only five hits and two runs in his seven innings of work to collect the win.

GCSU's bats were held at bay once again in game two when the team could only muster eight hits off of the Pirate duo

of starter Ross Partee and reliever Brandon McCree. McCree got the win, while Bobcat reliever Brandon Owens received his first loss of the season.

Two GCSU batters did manage to have multi-hit performances in the game. Sophomore shortstop Chandler Snell went three-for-four and redshirt sophomore third baseman Brooks Robinson added two hits and a pair of RBI's in the 8-4 loss.

The Bobcats, now 10-4, return home this weekend for a three game series against Shippensburg University. The first two games will be played on Saturday at 1 p.m. and the finale will start at noon on Sunday.

## Softball

Continued from Page 12 ...

of the Week for her brilliance on the mound.

The Lady Bobcats hit well in the second game, making up for a few defensive slips.

"We gave up too many hits today," Chaffinch said. "A couple of defensive errors could have cost us the game, but our hitting saved us in the end."

Junior center fielder, Sherquita Bostick, lead the way with a two-for-three outing with three RBIs and a run scored.

"I like to hit my teammates in and score runs," Bostick said. "It feels good to contribute offensively."

Swanson and senior right fielder Brianna Hope also went two-for-three in the game with two RBIs each.

The first home games for the Lady Bobcats proved successful and they look to continue their success in Salisbury, N.C.

"We are looking forward to the upcoming tournament in North Carolina this weekend," Chaffinch said.

The team will play five games this weekend including a matchup with the No. 2 ranked Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania.

## Swim Cats: fourth at UGA

SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

The GCSU Swim Cats returned home with a fourth place finish from the University of Georgia's Dawgfish Invitational Feb. 23.

The Dawgfish Invitational was the Swim Cats third meet in a row this semester and was by far the toughest competition faced yet.

The Swim Cats competed against the University of Georgia, Western Carolina University, Virginia Tech, and Georgia Southern University, all of which brought close to 30 members, bringing the total numbers of swimmers at the meet to 135.

"The competition we faced at this meet was by far the most challenging of the year," said Mimo Scholz, vice president of the Swim Cats. "We placed fourth out of five teams, which is impressive seeing as we competed with half the amount of swimmers as every other team."

Members in attendance for the Swim Cats were Rachel Zudekoff, Andrea Sisson, Blaire Bachman, Sarah Gallagher, Scholz, Brenna Cleary, Mary Bain, Andrea Mahoney, Steffi Waddell, Tegan Hurley, Jack Webber, Alex Smith, Taylor Hayes and John Goose.

Top ten overall high point awards were received by Alex Smith

(fourth), Blaire Bachman (fourth), and Taylor Hayes (tenth).

"My favorite part of the meet was when our women's 400 freestyle relay almost beat UGA's relay for the first time in our club history, losing by less than a second," Smith, a Swim Cats alumni, said. "I am thankful to still be able to compete occasionally with the team and proud to see the level of talent and desire within the team grow every year."

The Swim Cats will now dive back into four weeks of training to prepare for their largest competition of the season, the East Coast Championships, hosted by the Georgia Tech, March 28 through 30.

## Sports

Continued from Page 12 ...

leagues offer enough challenge and emotion to satisfy most former athletes.

"I was amazed at how seriously some of these guys took intramurals," Rier said. "But I definitely enjoy the competitive aspect here. It's what I loved about sports in high school, and it's still why I play the game."

But not all students view intramurals as a way to exhibit their competitive nature. Some play simply because they enjoy the game, or because it is a fun way to get some exercise.

"It's nice to win, but that's not why I play," sophomore Evan Boitet said. "I play sports because I enjoy them and it's an alternate way to get exercise. I like to stay active, but I don't necessarily like to go to the Depot and 'work out'."

Whatever the motives may be, there is now a third option available for students:

club sports. GCSU club teams offer the opportunity to compete against students from other universities, adding a heightened sense of competition.

While some of the club sports are also featured in intramurals, such as soccer and Ultimate Frisbee, there are other options that are sure to fill everyone's needs, including wrestling, swimming and lacrosse to name a few.

"I wanted to play against strangers: compete against other schools," said senior Paul Haskell, a member of the GCSU Ultimate Team. "With the club team, there's that added touch of realism in that we're playing other colleges, and we travel to tournaments and games."

Intramurals and club sports can either be competitive and intense or a casual scrimmage that promotes physical activity. Either way, students are actively occupied and working together to achieve a common goal; even if it is just a pleasant diversion from tests and papers.

# Jump Start

Get a jump on your fall with a couple of summer courses!

Take advantage of GPC's affordable tuition, flexible schedules, accessible locations, small classes, online options and award-winning instructors.

Apply for summer classes by April 1. Ensure that your financial aid precedes you - and your GPC credits easily transfer back - by arranging for a Transient Student Letter from your academic advisor to our Office of Admission, PO Box 89000, Atlanta, GA 30356.

The eight-week summer session starts May 27, the six-week summer session starts June 16, and there's always the option to take a class online. Check out our expanded course schedule in Alpharetta, and register at [gpc.edu/transientschool](http://gpc.edu/transientschool)

Two Years That Will Change Your Life.

The Colonnade is now scouting for new sports writers.

Add your voice to our team while supporting the Bobcat team you love!

Stop by our meetings every Monday at 5:00p.m. in MSU 128. Free Pizza!



## Questions with Bobcat basketball

**Terry Sellers**



**Head coach**

**Career stats**

Years coached: 15  
Wins: 234  
Losses: 162

**What do you enjoy the most about coaching?**

"When I think about coaching and what I enjoy the most, it's the practice, preparation, conducting practice, just you know, seeing guys improve, seeing the team improve."

**Aaron Clark**



**Senior center**

**Season stats**

Points: 317  
Rebounds: 191  
Steals: 30  
Blocks: 23

**How do you feel about the season so far?**

"We've had some ups and downs, we've lost some games we probably shouldn't have, but overall we've got to be satisfied because we've got an opportunity to play in the national tournament. That's really all you can ask for at this point."

**Shaun Keaton**



**Junior guard**

**Season stats**

Points: 428  
Rebounds: 79  
Steals: 29  
Blocks: 1

**Do you have anything to say to the fans?**

"We just love them to show up and get more support from our students. You know, the ones that are coming, they're great. But we'd love for more to come, to just come out and watch the show. It's a show when we play here."

**Ken Kemp**



**Junior guard**

**Season stats**

Points: 177  
Rebounds: 156  
Steals: 25  
Blocks: 6

**What is your role on the team?**

"I feel like I'm a leader. I like to lead by example. You know, coach wants me to be way more vocal than what I am, but I just feel like if I'm doing it then others will follow."

**LeVert Carter**



**Senior forward**

**Season stats**

Points: 428  
Rebounds: 79  
Steals: 29  
Blocks: 1

**How are you preparing for upcoming games?**

"Getting mentally prepared for the games, making sure we get our workouts in every once a week and making sure we get our draft reports, scouting reports."

**Graham Martin**



**Sophomore guard**

**Season stats**

Points: 428  
Rebounds: 79  
Steals: 29  
Blocks: 1

**How do you feel about the season so far?**

"I feel good. I like where we're at. I think we let a couple of games get away from us, especially on the road and at the beginning of our conference. We're right on track to make the national tournament, and that's one of our big goals."

REPORTING BY MITCHELL DAVIS / STAFF WRITER

March 5th '08 in  
MSU Dining Hall

Grab a partner  
and dance the  
night away to  
some fiery Latin  
beats in our  
Salsa Dance  
Competition!

**SALSA**  
IN South Beach

Get ready for salsa, salsa and more salsa!  
Dance the night away for a chance  
to win great prizes.

For complete details on this event,  
please contact Campus Dining Services.

Sodexo



THE COLONNADE

### Bobcat Sports Weekly

A weekly podcast series featuring Sports Editor Corey Dickstein  
and Assistant Sports Editor Preston Sellers.  
Updated every Tuesday with weekly topics including GCSU,  
regional, national and international sports.



**RESUME**

Fill this space with some  
real experience.

Beginners Welcome!  
Opportunities in Writing,  
Photography and Advertising

Want to know more?  
Come to our meetings!  
Mondays @ 5:00 in MSU Rm. 128  
Or email us: [colonnade@gcsu.edu](mailto:colonnade@gcsu.edu)



# WHAT'S HAPPENING

Friday, February 29 - Thursday,  
March 6, 2008

## Friday, February 29

1:30 p.m. CETL Workshop - University Banquet Room - A  
8 p.m. Homecoming 2008: Sister Hazel in Concert  
West Campus - Baseball Field

## Saturday, March 1

8 a.m. Homecoming 2008: Bobcat Ramble - Wellness Depot  
12 p.m. Homecoming 2008: Parade Lineup - Peabody  
1 p.m. Bobcats Baseball vs. Shippensburg  
Kurtz Field - West Campus  
6 p.m. Legacy Ball and Banquet - MSU Lounge

## Sunday, March 2

12 p.m. - 2 p.m. Homecoming 2008: Pre-game Luncheon  
12 p.m. Bobcats Baseball vs. Shippensburg  
Kurtz Field - West Campus  
2 p.m. Lady Bobcats Basketball vs. USC Aiken  
- Centennial Center  
4 p.m. Bobcats Basketball vs. USC Aiken  
- Centennial Center - Homecoming 2008 Events

## Monday, March 3

5 p.m. Visiting Artist Ernesto Cuevas  
- Museum Education Room  
Registration for Summer and Fall 2008 begins

## Tuesday, March 4

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. GCSU Career Expo 2008 - Centennial Center  
6 p.m. Bobcats Baseball vs. Lenoir-Rhyne  
- Kurtz Field- West Campus  
7 p.m. Campus Outreach 180 - Peabody Auditorium

## Wednesday, March 5

12 p.m. - 1 p.m. Student Success Series: Choosing A Major Workshop  
- Bobcat Dining Room  
12 p.m. - 1 p.m. Student Success Series: Breaking Bad Habits  
Workshop  
- Bobcat Dining Room  
12:30 p.m. SGA Meeting - Student Activities Center- 3rd Floor  
12:30 p.m. SIFE Meeting - 107 Atkinson Hall Deadline to Sign up  
for Bobcat Marketplace

## Thursday, March 6

8 p.m. GCSU Jazz Band Spring Concert  
- Russell Auditorium

Please send calendar submissions to [colonnadenews@gcsu.edu](mailto:colonnadenews@gcsu.edu)



## THE COLONNADE

# Public Safety Report



## Stolen bike is found

On Feb. 18, at approximately 9:00 a.m., a male reported that his bike was stolen, and he observed the bike chained next to the MSU dumpsters. He and Officer Gaines went to MSU and found the bike that matched the description given by the male. A second male then walked up to the bike and when questioned, he stated he had found the bike at The Manor housing projects. The second male could not prove that the bike was his so he gave the bike back to the other male. The second male was given a warning for receiving stolen property.

## Cleaning supplies put student in danger

On Feb. 20, at approximately 7:59 a.m., Officer Lance was dispatched to the library in reference to a person having an allergic reaction to cleaning supplies being used in the library. Contact was made with the female, who stated she was having an asthma attack because of wax being used on the floors. EMS responded and she refused treatment or to be transported to the hospital.

## Caught breaking into library

On Feb. 24, at approximately 12:06 p.m., Officer Gaines received a call in reference to someone forcing the front sliding doors open at the library. Officer Gaines checked the cameras and found a male forcing open the doors and gaining access. He gave a

description of the male to the library staff and then got a call later in the day stating the suspected male was in the library. Contact was made with the male, who admitted to prying the doors open stated he did not know that the doors were locked and needed to use the restroom. Nothing at this time has been reported as missing or stolen. The case has been turned over to Detective Butler for further investigation.

## Harassing calls bring suspicion

On Feb. 24, 2008 at approximately 6:34 p.m., a female reported that her ex-boyfriend was at a building at The Village meeting with his new girlfriend. She advised that he was making threatening phone calls to her. She advised that he was trespassed verbally from the Bobcat Village because he was staying at the apartments for weeks at a time and is not a student. Contact was made with his mother and told to have him make contact with Public Safety in reference to being trespassed from GCSU in writing. At the time of the report, he has not made contact with Public Safety.

## Intoxicated student is found in a briar patch

On Feb. 20, at approximately 1:29 a.m., Officer Baker observed a male staggering between Mayfair Hall and Blackbridge Hall. Officer Baker decided to do a welfare check and made contact with the male, who was laying in a briar patch behind a residence hall and struggling to get back on his feet. While speaking with the male, Officer Baker could detect the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his person. A check of the male's license revealed that he was 19 years of age. The male was arrested and transported to Milledgeville Police Department and charged with Underage Possession of Alcohol.

Information compiled  
by Jamie Fleming

Please go online to  
[gcsunade.com](http://gcsunade.com) to download the  
extended Public Safety Report podcast.

## SGA NEWS BRIEF

# Homecoming events require SGA's continued dedication

By WES BROWN  
SENIOR REPORTER

Homecoming is no longer coming, it is here, and although it has begun, SGA is continuing to make improvements during the week to make homecoming truly an event that is not only blue and green but an event that is nothing like GCSU has ever seen.

At the SGA session this Wednesday, the officers reviewed how the events are going so far, issues that need to be corrected and any additions that will be made.

President Ryan Greene opened the meeting by discussing one of the more popular events scheduled, the Sister Hazel concert. Last weekend SGA suspended ticket sales until this Thursday but assured everyone there is nothing to be majorly concerned with.

"Sister Hazel sales were stopped due to rain preparations," Greene said. "If it rains, the concert will be held in Capital City, which caps at 1,000. Sales will reopen Friday and there is no rain forecasted, so I don't think there will be any problems."

SGA is certainly not planning for any inclement weather as it is making the necessary adjustments to hold it on West Campus, including adding a shuttle service.

"There will be a shuttle service to the concert," Senator Joel Graham said. "There will be no open containers allowed on the shuttle though, because that is illegal."

Another urgent problem also addressed by SGA was kinks that arose in the online elections.

"As you know elections started today, but it was not

available online at midnight due to some miscommunication with IT," Greene said. "The problem has been fixed and all surveys are going through besides indications otherwise."

Among good news discussed was the amount of compliments SGA has received with the banners and lights hanging around campus and the high turnout in the office decoration contest. Also SGA introduced the rally towels at the meeting. The rally towels are the GCSU green with a bobcat paw the words "Go Bobcats" on it.

"The rally towels are in, and I am really proud of them," Senator Lauren McDonald said. "I encourage all of you to get one. I am really impressed by the ideas and work of public relations in designing these."



## NOW HEAR THIS

### The GIVE Center is collecting all Dr. Seuss books

Have any Dr. Seuss books? Hands on Milledgeville will be collecting new and gently used books for Midway Elementary's after school program and the YES! program library. The books should be age appropriate for kindergarten to those in high school. The GIVE Center, located in Ennis Hall, will be collecting the books. If you have any questions or would like to donate books, please contact Megan Tiedeman at 478-445-5700 or [mtiedeman@hands-on-milledgeville.com](mailto:mtiedeman@hands-on-milledgeville.com).

### Live Great in '08 Spring Health Fair

The GCSU Student Health Services is hosting the "Live Great in '08 Spring Health Fair" that is to be held on Thursday, March 6 in the Magnolia Ballroom. This event is open to all GCSU students and employees. They are offering free health screenings and health information, including check-ups on your hearing, bone density and blood sugar levels. The Health Fair will run from 9:00 a.m. through 3:00 p.m. Vendors will be visiting to offer information on their specific health care services.

### Lecture from artist Ernesto Cuevas

On Monday, March 3 at 5:00 p.m., visiting artist Ernesto Cuevas is coming to present a lecture in the Museum Education Room.

Ernesto Cuevas is a painter, a muralist and important member of the Latino art community in Atlanta. He is committed to the development of diverse communities uniting through art. He aims to represent the "struggles and celebrations of Chicano life." Cuevas is the founder and director of RedCielo, a community art organization in Atlanta, as well. For more information call Sandra Trujillo at 478-445-7024.

### Career Expo 2008

The Career Expo 2008 will be Tuesday, March 4 at the Centennial Center from 10:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m. Over 50 organizations are expected to make an appearance. The Career Center welcomes all students to come out. There are organizations for every major. Also, the Career Center needs some volunteers to assist the staff with setting up the event and assisting employers with moving equipment. They need volunteers in two shifts. The first shift is from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and the second shift is from 1:45 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. For more information call the Career Center at 478-445-5384.

### GCSU Jazz Band Spring Concert

The GCSU Jazz Band will be hosting their spring concert on Thursday, March 6 and Friday, March 7 at 8:00 p.m. in Russell Auditorium. General admission will be \$6. GCSU and GMC students tickets will be \$3. To purchase or reserve tickets

call 478-445-4226 or go by Porter Hall room 204 from Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Foreign 'Lumumba' film shown

On Friday, March 7 the International Education Center will be presenting "Lumumba," a film from Belgium. The film will be shown in the Arts and Sciences Auditorium. Plus, it will be free for all students. Introduced by Dr. Jennifer Wallach, the film features the true story of the rise of power and the brutal association of the formerly vilified leader of the independent Congo, Patrice Lumumba. All students are invited to come.

### Legacy Ball and Banquet celebration

Social Justice Awareness month is coming to a close here at GCSU, and to celebrate its success, the Office of Equity and Diversity is hosting the Legacy Ball and Banquet. The event will be located in the Maxwell Student Union Lounge at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 1. This banquet is designed to celebrate and reflect upon the people and events that have affected our campus and community in the past month. Daniel O' Black, an associate professor at Clark College in Atlanta, will be speaking. The banquet is \$10 per person, and \$5 with the valid student ID. All students are welcome. Call the Office of Equity and Diversity at 478-445-4233 for more information.





*Living, Learning, Luxury*



## MAGNOLIA PARK



**At Magnolia Park, we specialize in creating world-class luxury for today's busy student.**  
Our amenities include living arrangements to suit any lifestyle! We provide 2, 3, or 4 bedroom apartments with a separate bedroom and bath for each resident, as well as a fully equipped kitchen, living room, dining room, full-sized washer/dryers...and that's just the beginning!

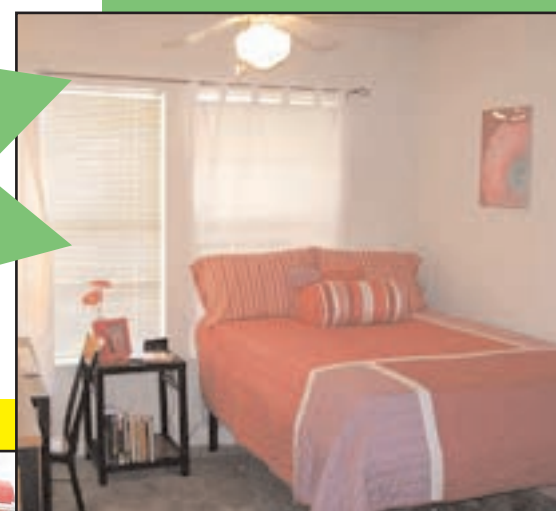
*We offer a wide range of amenities including:*

**Individual Leases  
Privacy and Luxury  
Gated Community  
Fully Furnished  
Multi-Media Center  
Oversized Pool/Lap Lanes  
Outdoor Storage Closet**



**Coming Soon!  
Freshmen Parties**

*As well as:*  
**Basketball Courts  
Sand Volleyball Courts  
Balcony  
Tanning Beds  
Computer Lab  
Exercise Room  
Hot Tub  
Shuttle Bus  
X-box Room  
Equipped Game Room**



**478.451.0077**

**[magnoliaparkgeorgia.com](http://magnoliaparkgeorgia.com)**